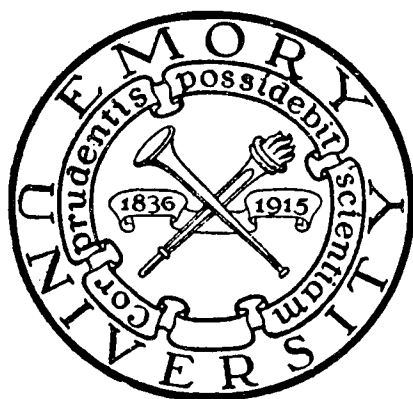


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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH, 1855.

At a session of the General Assembly of Georgia, begun and holden at the State House, in the city of Milledgeville, in the county of Baldwin, on the fifth day of November in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty-five, and of the Sovereignty, and Independence of the United States the eightieth,

On motion of Mr. Pickett, of Gilmer, Dr. George D. Phillips, of the county of Habersham, was called to the Chair for the purpose of organizing the House.

The Clerk proceeded to call the roll, and the following named members, elect from the several counties hereafter mentioned, produced their credentials, and having taken the oath prescribed by the Constitution of this State, and to support the Constitution of the United States, before the Hon. James Jackson, one of the Judges of the Superior Court of this State, took their seats, to wit :

From the county of Appling, the Hon. B. B. Mobley.

From the county of Baker, the Hon. J. Slocum.

From the county of Baldwin, the Hon. A. I. Butts.

From the county of Bibb, the Hon's. W. D. Williams and E. Davis.

From the county of Bryan, the Hon. A. G. Smith.

From the county of Bulloch, the Hon. W. H. McLean.

From the county of Burke, the Hon's. J. A. Rozier and J. S. Brown.

From the county of Butts, the Hon. B. F. Ward.

From the county of Calhoun, the Hon. R. J. McLary.

From the county of Charlton, the Hon. J. Thompson.

From the county of Catoosa, the Hon. J. T. McConnel.

From the county of Cass, the Hon's. W. Solomon and A. Johnson.

From the county of Chatham, the Hon's. W. H. Stiles and A. J. Lawton.

From the county of Chattooga, the Hon. L. W. Crook.

From the county of Chattahoochee, the Hon. W. W. Shipp.

From the county of Cherokee, the Hon's. L. Fields and J. Roberts.

From the county of Clark, the Hon's. J. B. Carlton and T. F. Lowe.

From the county of Clay, the Hon. L. B. Dozier.

From the county of Clinch, the Hon. M. Smith.

From the county of Camden, the Hon. J. H. Brown.

From the county of Campbell, the Hon. L. B. Watts.

From the county of Carroll, the Hon's. W. F. Johnson and R. L. Richards.

From the county of Cobb, the Hon's. S. M. Bradford and A. Manor.

From the county of Coffee, the Hon. R. Pafford.

From the county of Columbia, the Hon's. T. E. Beall and J. Luke.

From the county of Coweta, the Hon's. W. Amiss and G. O. Wynn.

From the county of Crawford, the Hon. D. Avery.

From the county of Dade, the Hon. R. M. Paris.

From the county of Decatur, the Hon. B. F. Powell.

From the county of DeKalb, the Hon. P. F. Hoyle.

From the county of Dooly, the Hon. W. Cobb.

From the county of Dougherty, the Hon. A. E. Harris.

From the county of Early, the Hon. J. J. Swearingen.

From the county of Effingham, the Hon. A. G. Porter.

From the county of Elbert, the Hon. T. Johnson.

From the county of Emanuel, the Hon. J. H. Edenfield.

From the county of Fannin, the Hon. J. M. Wood.

From the county of Fayette, the Hon. G. C. King.

From the county of Floyd, the Hon's. W. B. Terhune and M. H. Haynie.

From the county of Forsyth, the Hon's. G. H. Julian and M. E. Cunningham.

From the county of Franklin, the Hon. J. N. Pruitt.

From the county of Fulton, the Hon. J. L. Harris.

From the county of Gilmer, the Hon. J. Pickett.

From the county of Glynn, the Hon. S. M. Burnett.

From the county of Gordon, the Hon's. H. McConnell and D. B. Barrett.

From the county of Greene, the Hon's. M. W. Lewis and G. O. Dawson.

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From the county of Gwinnett, the Hon's. J. C. Whitworth and T. P. Hudson.

From the county of Habersham, the Hon. G. D. Phillips.

From the county of Hall, the Hon. J. A. Hayden.

From the county of Hancock, the Hon's. D. W. Lewis and T. J. Smith.

From the county of Hart, the Hon. W. Myers.

From the county of Harris, the Hon's. W. J. Hudson and A. J. Gordon.

From the county of Heard, the Hon. A. M. Lane.

From the county of Henry, the Hon's. J. Johnson and J. Hale.

From the county of Houston, the Hon's. W. A. Matthews and W. A. Tharp.

From the county of Irwin, the Hon. J. B. Dorminy.

From the county of Jackson, the Hon. R. J. Park and R. J. Daniel.

From the county of Jasper, the Hon. G. W. Cornwell.

From the county of Jefferson, the Hon. W. Sinquefeld.

From the county of Jones, the Hon. J. F. Barron.

From the county of Kinchasafoonee, the Hon. L. B. Causey.

From the county of Laurens, the Hon. C. B. Guyton.

From the county of Lee, the Hon. W. A. Bartlett.

From the county of Liberty, the Hon. W. Hughes, Jr.

From the county of Lincoln, the Hon. J. H. Tatum.

From the county of Lowndes, the Hon. Wm. Jones.

From the county of Lumpkin, the Hon's. J. B. Graham and W. Boyd.

From the county of Macon, the Hon. L. M. Felton.

From the county of Madison, the Hon. G. H. Bird.

From the county of McIntosh, the Hon. W. J. King, Sr.

From the county of Marion, the Hon. J. L. Wiggins.

From the county of Merriwether, the Hon's W. T. Harris and F. M. Brantly.

From the county of Monroe, the Hon's W. R. Murphy and C. W. Battle.

From the county of Montgomery, the Hon. A. Peterson.

From the county of Morgan, the Hon. J. Durden.

From the county of Murray, the Hon. B. F. Carter.

From the county of Muscogee, the Hon's. B. A. Thornton and J. A. Jones.

From the county of Newton, the Hon's. J. T. Henderson and W. S. Montgomery.

From the county of Oglethorpe, the Hon's. J. Phinizy and A. Griffith.

From the county of Paulding, the Hon. G. H. Spinks.

From the county of Pickens, the Hon. B. M. Stephens.

From the county of Pike, the Hon. J. J. Caldwell.

From the county of Polk, the Hon. E. A. Davis.

From the county of Pulaski, the Hon. W. W. Harrell.

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From the county of Putnam, the Hon's. E. Reid and E. Callaway.

From the county of Rabun, the Hon. H. W. Cannon.

From the county of Randolph, the Hon's. M. G. Stamper and W. B. Graves.

From the county of Richmond, the Hon's. J. Milledge and J. T. Barton.

From the county of Scriven, the Hon. B. L. Boykin.

From the county of Stewart, the Hon's. W. E. Wimberly and S. B. Walton.

From the county of Spalding, the Hon. H. P. Kirkpatrick.

From the county of Sumter, the Hon's. W. J. Moore and T. P. Cottle.

From the county of Talbot, the Hon's. J. D. Owen and J. Brown.

From the county of Taliaferro, the Hon. W. M. Harrison.

From the county of Tattnall, the Hon. J. B. Smith.

From the county of Twiggs, the Hon. H. Faulk.

From the county of Taylor, the Hon. A. McCants.

From the county of Telfair, the Hon. A. C. McLelan.

From the county of Thomas, the Hon. J. C. Browning.

From the county of Troup, the Hon's. J. S. Hill and J. T. Boykin.

From the county of Union, the Hon. S. J. Smith.

From the county of Upson, the Hon. T. S. Sharman.

From the county of Warren, the Hon's. W. Kitchens and J. M. Jones.

From the county of Walker, the Hon. J. Caldwell.

From the county of Walton, the Hon. B. J. Cooper and J. H. Kilgore.

From the county of Ware, the Hon. C. W. Hilliard.

From the county of Washington, the Hon's. R. L. Warren and T. Graybill.

From the county of Wayne, the Hon. J. B. Rumph.

From the county of Whitfield, the Hon. R. H. Sapp.

From the county of Wilkes, the Hon. E. R. Anderson and I. T. Irwin.

From the county of Wilkinson, the Hon. J. Taylor.

From the county of Worth, the Hon. M. Simmons.

On motion of Mr. Thornton the House proceeded to the election of Speaker, and the ballots being received and examined, it appeared that the Hon. William H. Stiles of the county of Chatham was duly elected.

Whereupon a committee, consisting of Messrs. Lewis, Milledge and Pickett were appointed to conduct him to the Chair, whence he addressed the House, and tendered his acknowledgements.

On motion of Mr. Fields the House then proceeded to the election of Clerk, and on the ballots being received and ex-

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aminated, it appeared that Alexander M. Speer, Esq'r., of the county of Bibb was duly elected.

The House then proceeded to the election of a Messenger, and the ballots being received and examined, it appeared that Jesse Oslin of the county of Cobb was duly elected.

On motion of Mr. Irwin of Wilkes, the House then proceeded to the election of Door-Keeper, pending which the House took a recess until 3 o'clock, P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and resumed the unfinished business of the morning, to-wit, the election of Door-Keeper, when on receiving and examining the ballots, it appeared that Cicero H. Morris of the county of Floyd, was duly elected.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Cass, it is ordered that one hundred and fifty copies of the Rules of the House for the last session, be printed for the use of this House.

On motion of Mr. Dawson, the House then adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Irwin of Wilkes offered the following resolution, which was agreed to, to-wit:

Resolved, That the Clerk inform the Senate, that the House of Representatives is now organized, having made choice of the Hon. William H. Stiles, of the county of Chat-ham as their Speaker, and Alexander M. Speer, of the county of Bibb as their Clerk, and are now ready to proceed to business.

Mr. Dawson of Greene, offered the following resolution, which was agreed to, to wit:

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House, be instructed to call on the Secretary of State, for the several Bills passed at the last session of the General Assembly, amendatory of the Constitution of this State.

Mr. Irwin of Wilkes, offered the following resolution, which was agreed to, to wit:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed by the Chair, to prepare rules for the government of the House of Representatives during the present session.

Whereupon, the Chair appointed the following committee, Messrs. Irwin of Wilkes, Thornton of Muscogee, Phillips of

Habersham, Milledge of Richmond, and Lawton of Chatham.

Mr. Lawton of Chatham offered the following resolution, to wit :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That both branches of the General Assembly, convene in the Representative Hall on Thursday the 8th instant at 11 o'clock, A. M., to proceed to the election of an Attorney General for the Middle Circuit, a Solicitor General of the Eastern Circuit, a Solicitor General for the Southern Circuit, a Solicitor General for the South Western Circuit, a Solicitor General for the Chattahoochee Circuit, a Solicitor General for the Ocmulgee Circuit, a Solicitor General for the Macon Circuit, a Solicitor General for the Flint Circuit, a Solicitor General for the Western Circuit, a Solicitor General for the Northern Circuit, a Solicitor General for the Cherokee Circuit, a Solicitor General for the Blue Ridge Circuit, and a Director of the Bank of the State of Georgia.

Upon a motion to agree to the same, Mr. Dawson of Greene required the yeas and nays to be recorded, and are yeas 85, nays 49.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Graham,	Maynor,
Avery,	Graves,	McClary,
Barrett,	Griffeth,	McConnel of Gordon
Beall,	Harrell,	McLean,
Bird,	Harris of Dougherty,	Mobley, J
Boyd,	Haynie,	Montgomery,
Boykin of Scriven,	Headen,	Myers,
Bradford,	Henderson,	Parks,
Brown of Burke,	Hilliard,	Phillips,
Brown of Camden,	Hoyle,	Phinizy,
Browning,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Pickett,
Burnett,	Hughes,	Pruitt,
Caldwell of Pike,	Irwin,	Reid,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Carroll,	Richards,
Calloway,	Johnson of Elbert,	Roberts,
Cobb,	Jones of Lowndes,	Rozier,
Cooper,	Jones of Warren,	Rumph,
Crook,	Julian,	Shipp,
Cunningham,	Kilgore,	Simmons,
Davis of Polk,	King of Fayette,	Sinquefield,
Dorminy,	King of McIntosh,	Slocumb,
Dozier,	Kitchens,	Smith of Tattnall,
Edenfield,	Lawton,	Smith of Union,
Faulk,	Lewis of Hancock,	Spinks,
Fields,	Luke,	Stamper,

Stephens,	Terhune,	Warthen,
Swearingen,	Thompson,	Watts,
Taylor,	Ward,	Whitworth.
		Wood.

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Graybill,	Moore,
Barton,	Hale,	Murphy,
Battle,	Harris of Fulton,	Paris,
Brown of Talbot,	Harris of Meriweth'r	Peterson,
Butts,	Hudson of Harris,	Powell,
Cannon,	Johnson of Cass,	Sharman,
Carlton,	Johnson of Henry,	Solomon,
Causey,	Jones of Muscogee,	Smith of Bryan,
Cornwell.	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Clinch,
Cottle,	Lane,	Smith of Hancock,
Daniel,	Lewis of Greene,	Tharpe,
Davis of Bibb,	Lowe,	Thornton,
Dawson,	Matthews,	Walton,
Durden,	McCants,	Wiggins,
Felton,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Williams,
Gordon,	McLean,	Wimberly,
Guyton,	Milledge,	

So the resolution was agreed to.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawton, the Clerk was directed to communicate the same to the Senate forthwith.

Mr. Thornton of Muscogee offered the following resolution, to wit :

Resolved, That editors and reporters of newspapers, be permitted to occupy seats on the floor of the House of Representatives, which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Irwin of Wilkes the following resolution was adopted, to-wit :

Resolved, That a committee be appointed by the Speaker to join such committee, as may be appointed by the Senate, to wait upon his Excellency the Governor, and inform him that both branches of the General Assembly are now organized, and ready to receive any communication he may have to make, and that the Clerk be directed to inform the Senate of the appointment of such committee.

Upon which motion the Speaker appointed the following committee : Messrs. Irwin of Wilkes, Dawson of Greene, Crook of Chattooga, Jones of Muscogee, and Pickett of Gilmer.

The following message was received from the Senate by Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker :—I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have organized, by the election of the Honorable David J. Bailey, Senator elect from the county of Butts, as their President, and Peyton H. Colquitt of the county of Muscogee, as their Secretary, and are now ready to proceed to business.

Mr Irwin, from the committee appointed to prepare rules for the government of the House, made the following report:

The committee who were appointed to prepare rules for the government of the House during the present session, recommend that the House adopt the rules of the session of 1853.

By unanimous consent of the House, Mr. Lewis of Hancock, offered the following resolution, to wit :

Resolved, That the rules in relation to the introduction of Bills be so amended as to permit the introduction of a bill to state the object of the same, at the first reading but without further debate in the House ; which was lost.

The following message was received from the Senate by Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker :—I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have agreed to a resolution appointing a committee to join such committee as may be appointed on the part of the House to inform his Excellency the Governor, that both branches of the General Assembly are now organized, and ready to receive any communication he may have to make, and have appointed on their part, Messrs. Lawson of Burke, Lawson of Houston, and Cone of Bulloch.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor by Mr. Briscoe, his Secretary :

Mr. Speaker :—I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the House of Representatives his biennial message with accompanying documents.

Which was taken up and read as follows :

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
MILLEDGEVILLE, 6th Nov., 1855. }

Fellow Citizens of

The Senate and House of Representatives :

You have assembled, as the representatives of the people, to review the administration of the State Government, for the last two years, and to enact such laws as your wisdom may dictate, to be necessary for the promotion of the public welfare. You meet under circumstances well calculated to awaken gratitude to Heaven. For although, the previous year was one of drought and comparative scarcity, and memorable for the melancholy ravages of Yellow Fever upon our principal seaport city, yet, the temporary frown of Providence has passed away, and again we bask in His beneficent smiles. Peace, health and prosperity reign throughout our borders; we still enjoy the blessings of civil and religious liberty; all things combine to provoke us to that righteousness which "exalteth a Nation."

TREASURY.

I herewith submit the Report of the Treasurer, exhibiting fully the operations of his Department, for the last two fiscal years, ending on the 20th of October. It appears that there was at that date, an available balance in the Treasury of \$90,793 24.

The Western & Atlantic Rail Road paid into the Treasury, in 1854, the sum of \$50,000. There were also collected from the Federal Government, on account of Military claims, \$11,331 79. In 1855 and prior to the 1st of October the Western & Atlantic Rail Road paid in the further sum of \$100,000 00. The Treasurer also received on account of the sale of the reverted lands in the Cherokee region, sold under an act of the last Legislature, the sum of

\$19,302 61. From the sale of the States' interest in lands on the Channahoochee, under an act of the last session, he received the further sum of \$1,993 11. Hence, for the two fiscal years, the Treasury has received the aggregate sum of \$182,627 41, from extraordinary sources, not anticipated by the last Legislature in the estimate of revenue.—The aggregate receipts of the Treasury, from ordinary sources, for the two years, was \$930,244 03; and the actual aggregate of disbursements, for the same time, was \$946,874 97: showing, that there would have been a deficit, without the receipts from these extraordinary sources, of \$16,730 94. Now, the act of the 24th of December, 1845, creates a lien upon the Western & Atlantic Rail Road and its nett earnings for the redemption of the Bonds, amounting to \$125,500 00, which it authorised to be issued for the extension of that work. They fall due in July and December 1856. But seeing that a deficit in the Treasury to meet the demands upon it, must necessarily occur; finding it also impracticable to call in these Bonds, except to the amount of \$19,500, and feeling perfectly confident, that the future proceeds of the Road will be amply sufficient to meet the balance of \$106,000 00, before or at maturity, I directed the Treasurer to carry the monies paid in, from that source, into the general fund, use them in the payment of the public Debt and interest, and the regular operations of the Treasury.

The Committee of Finance on the State of the Treasury &c., called my attention to the immense item of expense for the services of Clerks in both branches of the General Assembly. I have investigated this subject, by actual examination of the President's and Speaker's Warrants from 1833, down to the present time, including the last session. The aggregate expenses of the two Houses, per Session, on this score, from 1833, down to the session of 1849-50 ranged from \$4,290 00 to \$8,833, the latter sum being the largest expenditure of any one session during that period. For the session of 1849-50, the expense for Clerks' hire of the two Houses was \$18,286 00: for 1851-2, it was \$17,212 00 and for 1853-4, it was \$33,156 00. The enormous expenditure of the three last sessions of the Legislature evince extravagance and call for retrenchment and reform.

TAXATION.

Looking at the large liabilities of the Western & Atlantic Rail Road, to mature in 1856, and the heavy demands upon its receipts, to perfect its equipment, I submit, that it will be wise to adhere to the policy of raising, by taxation, the amount necessary to defray the expenses of the Government, and meet the ordinary drafts upon the Treasury.—The nett earnings of the Road, should be faithfully applied

to the extinguishment of the large public debt created for its construction; taxation should furnish the revenue until that shall have been accomplished.

I shall not enter into a discussion of the principle upon which the tax should be levied. The ad valorem, is the only correct principle. It may now, I trust, be considered as the fixed policy of Georgia; for it has vindicated itself by experiment, and the public mind is satisfied of its wisdom. The existing system may need amendment, in its details, but you should adhere to the principle on which it is based.

PUBLIC DEBT AND CREDIT.

On the 20th of October last, the Public Debt, including the 6 per cent. bonds issued for the payment of claims against the State, on account of the Darien Bank, was \$2,644,222 22. Since the action of the last Legislature, the Central Bank 7 per cent. bonds are considered as a part of the Public Debt, and consequently the balance outstanding, amounting to \$296,000, are embraced in this estimate. I refer you to the report of the Treasurer, and to the accompanying "Report of the Finance Committee on the state of the Treasury, &c.," for tabular statements of the amount of the bonds which constitute the State Debt, their rate of interest, when and where payable, and the payments made during the two past financial years.

The credit of the State is now good—a source of congratulation to every Georgian. It should not only be preserved, but every means adopted to increase and strengthen it. It is remarkable, that the Bonds of Georgia command a less price than the bonds of other States that owe a much larger debt. This is a fact which should arrest the attention of the Legislature. I apprehend that, upon examination, the reason will be found to be, that our Bonds are mainly payable in Augusta, Savannah and at the Treasury. This is true of all the issues, except those of July the 1st, 1852, and these amount to but \$525,000, payable in New York.—They were negotiated in New York, for a premium of five per cent, while the issues, under the act of December 4th, 1851, the interest of which is payable semi-annually in Savannah, were negotiated at an average premium of but two per cent. This furnishes a striking illustration of the advantage of making our State bonds payable in New York.—That is the great commercial emporium of the Union, and thither capital flows, from all points, to seek investment. Hence, as a means of appreciating the credit of the State, I recommend the Legislature to authorize the calling in of all the State Bonds, including the Central Bank 7 per cents, not payable in New York, and the issuing of others, in their stead, of similar tenor, dates and amounts respectively, payable

at that point. It will also impart greater simplicity and uniformity to the operations of the Treasury.

By an act of the last Legislature, approved 17th Feb. 1854, I was directed to issue State Bonds, in lieu of the outstanding bonds of the Central Bank. It was impossible to effect the arrangement contemplated by a literal exchange of Bonds. The interest on the new, was limited to 6, whereas the old Central Bank Bonds sought to be called in, bore 7 per cent. Of course, the holders would not receive the former, in lieu of the later.

That act also required the issue of new Bonds, in lieu of certain other Bonds of this State, printed on inferior paper, mutilated and of inconvenient amounts. The holders of these Bonds, with one exception, have not applied for the benefit of the act; and therefore, it was not deemed expedient to incur the expense of a new engraving. By adopting the policy above recommended, both objects of the Act, will be accomplished, and contribute much to the public good, since it will form a part of the plan for simplifying the State debt and appreciating its credit.

Under the act of 24th December, 1845, "to extend the Western & Atlantic Rail Road, and to provide means therefor," 6 per cent. Bonds were issued to the amount of \$125,500 00, signed by the Governor and countersigned by the then Chief Engineer, and payable ten years after date. They were issued on the 1st of December and July, 1846, and consequently, fall due the 1st of December and July, 1856. In anticipation of their maturity, \$19,500 00 of the bonds have been paid, leaving a balance of \$106,000 00 unpaid. The Act referred to gives to the holders of these Bonds a paramount lien upon the Road and its nett earnings, for their redemption. Hence, the clean receipts of the Road must be appropriated to the satisfaction of these liabilities; and there is no doubt, but they will be amply sufficient to meet them all before or at maturity. After that, they may be used in any manner the Legislature may direct. Therefore, if the amount necessary for the administration of the Government, be authorised to be raised by Taxation, as recommended in another part of this communication, then all the nett receipts of the Western & Atlantic Rail Road should be appropriated to the payment of the Public Debt. There is obvious propriety in this policy. Most of the Debt was created for the construction of the Road, and it is therefore proper, that it should first discharge its liabilities to the State. As a large portion of the Public Debt will fall due at the same time, the Executive should be clothed with discretion to make such application of the money, derived from that source, as will avoid the embarrassment which such heavy maturities must produce. I therefore respectfully submit, that, after the payment of these Bonds and reserving enough from time to time,

to meet its liabilities proper, as they may fall due, the nett earnings of the State Road should constitute a Sinking Fund, permanently set apart for the purpose indicated.

WESTERN AND ATLANTIC RAIL ROAD.

I herewith submit the two annual Reports of the Superintendent of the Western and Atlantic Rail Road, exhibiting its operations for the fiscal years 1854 and 1855. They show a steady and highly encouraging increase of its business, and a commendable curtailment of its expenditures. As these documents furnish all the data for the formation of a correct opinion as to what should be the future policy of the Road, so far as relates to the regulation of its tariff of freights, I shall indulge in no speculations upon that subject; but leave it, in all its bearings, to the wisdom of the Legislature. It is one of great moment, and can only be correctly settled by facts, its connection with other roads, and the light of experience. If you design it to be a paying road, then the policy obviously is, to adjust its freight schedule, in reference to its connection with others. If you are content, that it shall be kept up mainly for the accommodation of the section through which it runs, and as the means of affording the low, with facilities for procuring the products of the up, country, without special reference to profit, then it may be treated and conducted as an independent work. The Road is the peoples' property, constructed for their common benefit, and therefore, it is peculiarly appropriate for you, as their representatives, to prescribe the line of policy to be pursued.

Nor is it necessary to discuss the various plans suggested for its future management. Some insist, that it should be sold, either in part or in whole, so as to sever its ownership from the State, or to give its control to private individuals. Others urge that it should be leased for a term of years. These propositions were discussed by my immediate predecessor, and considered by the last Legislature. They have also, in the mean time, engaged the popular mind, to a considerable extent, and you are doubtless prepared to represent correctly, by your action, the public sentiment. Another mode proposed is, to place its management in the hands of a Board, composed of three Commissioners, to be chosen by the people. I refer to these propositions to demonstrate what, I believe to be indispensable to meet the expectations of the people of the whole State, and that is, the necessity of removing its administration beyond the arena of politics—of taking it from Executive control—of making it independent of party influences. However widely different these various propositions are, they afford conclusive evidence of the restlessness of the popular mind on the subject. The sentiment is all pervading, and is manifested in a thousand forms, that

this is expected and demanded at your hands. How it shall be done, is the question for your wisdom. I have no hesitation in expressing the firm belief, that it were better to adopt any one of these propositions, than to permit the Road to be managed under the present mode of its organization. The idea of this vast capital being subjected to the fluctuations of party politics—confided to agents, who, as a general rule, will be changed every two years, in obedience to the utterances of the ballot box, is preposterous and ridiculous in the extreme. It is only Rail Road men who understand the conduct of these great works. Politicians, who aspire to Gubernatorial honors, know but little, if any thing, about it. How absurd, therefore, to place the Executive at the head of the Road—inexperienced, and therefore disqualified—and expect him to manage it with skill and success? How unjust to him—how hazardous to the interest of the people, to saddle him with so heavy a responsibility. Without disparagement to predecessors, it is believed, that the Road has never been better managed, than it has been during the last two years. Economy and punctuality, in every department, have been enforced—not a dollar lost by defalcation—not a dollar recovered in litigation for damages which accrued within that period—but few and slight disasters from running off or collisions of trains—and yet the dissatisfaction and complaint, in certain quarters, are deep and loud. All, all demonstrating that the policy of severing it from Executive control, is absolutely imperative. I respectfully urge the Legislature to do it.

Under the resolution of the last Legislature, for that purpose, I appointed the Hon. John D. Stell a Commissioner, “to proceed to the State of Tennessee, to procure the repeal of the law of that State, which subjects the Western and Atlantic Rail Road to suits in her Courts, and to fix upon such terms of negotiation and reciprocity, as shall be acceptable to both States.” As the result of his mission, I herewith submit the Message of the Governor of Tennessee, and the action of her Legislature upon the subject. You will perceive that they, by Resolution, authorized him to “appoint a Commissioner learned in the law, whose duty it shall be to confer with the Commissioner appointed by the Governor of Georgia, either here (in Nashville) or in the State of Georgia, upon the subject of the intercourse by Rail Road between the two States, with instructions to report to the General Assembly of this State (Tennessee) all the legislative action that has been had by the two States in reference to this matter, and also what further legislation, if any, is necessary to preserve the rights of the citizens of Tennessee, and to maintain our friendly relations.” After Mr. Stell returned, he surrendered his Commission, and I appointed William K. DeGraffenried, Esq., in his stead, to complete the negotiation. The Govern-

or of Tennessee appointed James A. Whitesides, Esq., under the resolution above quoted. These two gentlemen have had a meeting, but finding that the question of the jurisdiction of the Courts of Tennessee over the Western and Atlantic Rail Road was made in the McClung case, then pending before her highest judicial tribunal, they considered it most prudent and respectful to await the decision, before proceeding with the negotiation; for the Court might determine the question in our favor, and thus end all trouble on this score. But our hope of so gratifying a result has failed. I understand the Court has decided against us. Hence, if no satisfactory adjustment between the two States can be effected by negotiation, it will devolve upon you to determine the course to be adopted. A lease or sale of that portion of the Road which is within the limits of Tennessee, would seem to suggest itself as the most natural remedy.

PENITENTIARY.

I refer you to the Report of the Principal Keeper for the operations of the Penitentiary. The following statement exhibits its present financial condition.

Resources and Liabilities on 1st Oct., 1855.

RESOURCES.

To Notes and Accounts,	\$23,276 03	
Of which are considered bad and doubtful,	2,702 27	\$20,573 76
Cash,		2,807 80
		<u>\$23,381 56</u>

And the Liabilities are:

Due Officers and Guard,	\$7,590 89	
“ Individuals, Inspector’s Dept., ..	8,483 32	
“ do B’k Keeper’s “ ..	504 95	16,579 16

Resources over and above Liabilities, collectable, \$6,802 40

To which add:

Manufactured Articles, in B. K’s Dept.,	6,747 90	
Material on hand, P. K.’s, Dept., ..	10,257 91	17,005 81
		<u>\$23,808 21</u>

Hence, it appears to have been managed with quite as much ability and success, as under previous administrations. Still, I feel constrained to say, what its whole history confirms, that it has, to a great extent, proved to be a failure. A brief glance at the causes, will point out the remedy. It is the duty of the Legislature to apply it promptly.

The original design of the Institution was two-fold; 1st, to substitute efficient punishment for crime, properly ad-

justed to its demerit, for the gallows, in the higher, and the application of the pillory and whipping post to the lower, grades of offences ; and 2ndly, by connecting labour with confinement, to make it a self-sustaining system. The first object has been so far accomplished only, as to dispense with those engines of cruelty and barbarism. But the Penitentiary has failed to answer the great ends of punishment—reforming the criminal and deterring others from crime. It never can answer these purposes under its present organization. From the utter impossibility of preventing intercommunication between the convicts, and the absence of all classification of them, according to the moral character of their respective offences, the hope of reformation is unavailing—is vain and futile. It is rather a school in which, the villain learns to be more obdurate in his depravity, and he who is imprisoned for an offence, not involving the darker shades of turpitude, loses the little self-respect remaining to him, by the necessary contact with his associates, and is thus ultimately robbed of this last trait of human redemption. The exceptions to this general remark, few and far between, confirm its truth. Hence, the Penitentiary ceases, to a great extent, to be a terror to evil doers. It also fails to answer the other object of punishment—that of deterring others from violating the laws of the land. The loss of personal liberty, of the sweets of social life, and the necessity for constant toil and restraint upon the passions, should constitute the terrors of imprisonment. But organized as it is, how feeble and impotent are these sanctions, under our system of Penitentiary confinement !

It has most signally failed to accomplish the second design of its formation—that of being a self-sustaining system. The proof of this is found in the large appropriations, which the Legislature have been compelled, at almost every session, to make for its support. There are palpable causes—causes that meet the eye of the most superficial observer—which render it impossible for it to pay its own expenses. Its wall encloses only about two acres of ground ; is it to be expected that, one hundred and seventy-five men can be employed profitably, upon so small an arena, in which it is impracticable to diversify labour ? It is located where materials for manufacturing cannot be obtained, without the payment of ruinous prices.

The question then arises, what is the remedy ? Remove it into another region of the State. Construct it upon a plan sufficiently capacious to meet all the conditions required. So arrange its apartments as to classify the convicts, according to the moral character of their offences, and to secure absolute prohibition of all social intercourse among them. Locate it at a point where material of all kinds can be procured cheaply, and build it of stone and iron.

Now is a most favorable time to apply this indispensable remedy. The present wall and buildings are all dilapidated and tottering, and they offer hourly temptation to the devouring element. Something must be done, and done now. The present structures are incapable of such repairs as will render them suitable for the purposes desired. The whole concern must be rebuilt, if you intend to continue the institution and to make it what it ought to be.

By removal, you can remedy another great evil. You can locate it, at a point, at which, heavy operations in iron and stone, may furnish employment for the Convicts, and thus dispense with the common branches of the mechanic arts. On this score the present system is most detrimental. So far from retarding, the State should so shape her policy, as to encourage industrious and honest men to engage in them. But what is the effect of the present Penitentiary system? It degrades them, by turning loose annually a corps of graduated villains, half skilled and too depraved, in most instances, to perform according to their ability, who will work at reduced prices, and thus meet the honest mechanic with ruinous competition. In arranging a system of Penitentiary labour, this reform should not be disregarded; but situated as the institution now is, it is impracticable.

In submitting this subject to your consideration, your attention is directed to the suggestions under this head, contained in the Report of the "Finance Committee on the state of the Treasury, &c.," and the report of the Principal Keeper.

INTERNAL IMPROVEMENTS—STATE AID.

If we look to the geographical position of the State, it is not singular, that she has taken the lead of her Southern sisters, in works of Internal Improvement. She occupies the gap between the Southern spur of the Alleghany mountains and the Atlantic, and is, therefore, the portal through which the travel and products of the great vallies of the West must find their transit to the "highway of nations." Such a position fixes upon her a heavy, but glorious responsibility, involving a mission for the future, worthy the most comprehensive grasp of enlightened statesmanship. On the other hand, her varied and inexhaustible mineral and agricultural resources, afford a perpetual stimulus and prompt to constant efforts to secure the means of their development. These considerations create a twofold obligation upon the Legislature; the one, to adjacent States—the other, to her own vast internal interests. Hence, to comprehend fully their legitimate scope of action, the Legislature should assume a lofty stand-point from which they can survey the whole field. Holding in her hand the key which opens the Atlantic to the West, the State should so use her power, as to

force, by a compulsion mutually advantageous, the travel and produce which seek the ship, to become tributary to her own wealth, prosperity and greatness. Looking to this, as the light to guide her general policy, she should likewise, as the proximate motive of action, keep in view the development of her natural resources, and the advancement of the people, in all the elements of the highest and best civilization. Hence, the paramount necessity of well defined and well regulated *system*, in our scheme of Internal Improvements. It does not follow, that a charter for a rail-road must be granted, as a matter of course, when asked. An enlightened legislature, comprehending fully the system, its design, and what is best calculated to advance the general welfare, will inquire whether the charter asked, is in harmony with that system, what will be the bearings of its connexions without the State, what its effect in developing our resources, and what its relation to other works under which large interests have become, or are likely to become, involved and vested? The system in Georgia, though in its infancy, is yet sufficiently advanced to indicate the ultimate shape which it is likely to assume. On her eastern border she has three points, which have formed and are seeking to form connexions with the various sections, internal and external, whose productions will foster their growth and prosperity. These points are Augusta, Savannah and Brunswick. The two former are connected, by Roads completed, with Tennessee and Alabama; and the latter possessing a harbor, unsurpassed by any on the Atlantic coast, south of the Chesapeake and flanked by an extensive territory, covered by the best pine field in the world, and of wonderful agricultural fertility, seeks a connection with the vast region that skirts the Gulf of Mexico. In a word, these three cities form the basis of our system, and the lines through the State which connect, or propose to connect them, with her own great divisions, within, and exhaustless feeders, without, constitute its frame work or skeleton. Its symmetrical completion should both define and limit the policy of Legislative action. It will be most speedily accomplished by private capital aided by the loan of State credit. Such charters, and such only, as may be required for necessary intermediate connections and facilities, should be granted, to fill out the system; and these should be constructed by unaided private capital. But to complete the skeleton of the system, so as to extend an arm into each of the grand geographical sections or divisions of the State, she may, with propriety and wisdom, lend her credit, under securities and guarantees, which will place her beyond the contingency of ultimate liability and loss. To that extent the Legislature may go; but to that extent only should it go, and with well considered caution and well guarded prudence.

The direct appropriation of money or subscription for Stock, by the State, to aid in the construction of rail roads, is considered to be unwise and inexpedient. Its tendency is to emasculate private enterprise, by removing the necessity of self reliance. It will complicate the State with individual interests, which experience teaches to be dangerous to the public welfare. It will increase the State debt, and consequently create a necessity for burdensome taxation.

The construction of the Western & Atlantic Rail Road, by the State, is regarded, both as a precedent and an argument in favor of direct appropriations, in aid of internal improvements. But it ceases to be forcible, in either point of view, when we consider the circumstances which prompted that magnificent project. At that time, there was not a rail road in Georgia. Private capital refused to be thus invested, because experiment had not shown either the practicability or profitableness of such works. Besides, the region which it penetrates, though abounding in agricultural and mineral fertility, is mountainous and difficult of access. It was socially and physically severed from the lower region of the State and advantageous markets for the products of its industry. On the one hand, rail road enterprise needed the stimulus of example; and on the other, the North West was incapable of development by private capital. Hence, the State embarked in the enterprise; and if no other advantage shall ever be realized, the enhanced value of the lands of Cherokee Georgia amply remunerates the State for the outlay, and vindicates the farsighted wisdom of its projectors. The justification of the State was the necessity of the case; but where the necessity does not exist, the reason for the policy does not obtain.

But viewed in another light, the building of the Western & Atlantic Rail Road by the State does furnish a sound reason why other sections may ask, with propriety, her fostering aid, in the form of a loan of her credit. That work cost not less than \$5,000,000. The region through which it runs was then very sparsely populated and consequently contributed a comparatively small portion of the expense of its construction. Middle and Southern Georgia bore the tax; they bore it generously and patriotically. It is therefore, not arrogant nor unreasonable to ask, in return, such aid from the State, as will develop other sections and bring them within reach of advantageous markets. The request would come with the force of an appeal to the magnanimity of those, who are the special beneficiaries of this large State beneficence, to practice the spirit of enlightened reciprocation.

There are those, whose patriotism and intelligence are entitled to great respect, who earnestly advocate the policy of the State aiding works of internal improvement, by is-

suing her Bonds for a sufficient amount, per mile, to purchase the rails, to all Rail Road companies which shall have completed the grading, &c., of their respective Roads, and made them ready for laying the superstructure. But I regard it wild and hazardous, and the adoption of such a measure, as the worst calamity that could be inflicted upon the State. If there could possibly be any necessities which would justify it, they certainly do not exist in Georgia.—Rail road enterprise, with us, does not need stimulation, but rather wholesome and judicious direction. Such a system as that however, would multiply those works—or attempts to construct them—indefinitely; and the sequel would be a crushing State debt, impaired State credit, ruinous depreciation of State Stocks and general paralysis, in all the departments of business and labour. States, like individuals, will retard their progress, if they endeavor to advance too rapidly. A system of internal improvements should be rather a growth, developed and gradually matured by the action of the laws of social and commercial progress, than the artificial result of restless, impatient, and ill guided, but well-meant legislation. Let us shun both Sylla and Charibdis and move cautiously through the strait between the two extremes.

BANKS—ATLANTA—CENTRAL—DARIEN.

The various Banks of the State have promptly made their reports, from time to time, under Executive proclamation, issued in obedience to the law regulating that subject. By the exhibits made, those institutions seem to be sound and healthy. Still, the Legislature cannot be too vigilant, in their examinations, nor too stringent, in restraining them within the limits of their respective charters. New charters should be granted with caution, and only at points, where the interests of trade require an increase of Banking capital and facilities. Created in reference to such demand, they are public conveniences; otherwise, they are mere brokerages and shaving shops, and being compelled to realize their profits by other means than the appropriate business of Banking, they become engines of ruthless oppression and lawless usury—grinding the faces of the necessitous and waging a guerrilla warfare upon the safer and better institutions of the State. The practice seems to have obtained, of late, with some Banks, of sending their issues to distant States, not seeking nor desiring a home circulation. As yet, it is not known, that material injury has resulted, but that it is violative of the correct principle of Banking, is not to be doubted. It is equally certain, that their ultimate failure will bring reproach and dishonor upon the State.—Hence, it would be well for the Legislature to investigate the extent, character and policy of these distant opera-

tions. Are they not hazzardous to the financial welfare of the State? Are they not inconsistent with correct Banking principles? Are they not against the reason and spirit which prompted the Legislature to charter them? Is it not bad policy, for the General Assembly of Georgia, virtually to establish Banks for other States, although nominally located within our limits? These are grave questions. I am not prepared to say, what ought to be the effect, if investigation should furnish an affirmative answer to them. That it would disclose a fearful evil is certain; but whether it is within the reach of legislative remedy, consistent with chartered franchises, can only be determined by the facts developed. If such disclosures should amount to a fraud upon the intention of the Legislature, in granting the charters, or show a misuser of the charters, by their perversion to purposes, not contemplated by their creation, the remedy is plain. The whole subject is respectfully submitted, and if nothing more valuable result from its discussion, it will, at least, inculcate the salutary lesson, that hereafter they shall be granted upon such terms and restrictions as will prevent the evil.

In compliance with a resolution of the last Legislature, I appointed L. E. Bleckley, Esq., Solicitor General of the Coweta Circuit, to enquire into and report, the circumstances attending the organization of the Atlanta Bank, and also its mode and places of transacting business. He performed the duty with ability and neatness. It was a laborious service, not necessarily appertaining to his office, and therefore, it is but justice, that the Legislature should make an appropriation for his liberal compensation. In examining the Report, I did not deem the irregularities, in the organization of the Bank, or the place and mode of its transactions, to be of such a character as to work a forfeiture of charter, and therefore, I have not caused judicial proceedings to be instituted for that purpose. It is, however, herewith submitted, that you may take such action in the premises, as you may deem proper and expedient.

In obedience to Executive order, to turn over the assets, of every description, of the Central Bank, either in his hands or those of Attorneys or Agents to two or more suitable Attorneys or Agents, the Treasurer, on the 15th of July, 1854, entrusted the same to William L. Mitchell, Esq., and James N. Bethune, Esq., with full power to collect, compromise or dispose of, upon an agreement, that they should retain one half of the amounts realised, as compensation for their services. These assets were in great confusion, consisting of Notes, Bills of Exchange, returned as insolvent, Attorney's receipts and *fi fas*, endorsed "Nulla bona," scattered over the entire extent of the State. The aggregate amount was \$312,650 63. As yet, but little has been collected, and it is quite certain, that the ultimate loss, on this

score, must be very large. The indebtedness of the Bank, exclusive of her outstanding Bonds, is about \$36,140 00. It is hoped, that sufficient may be realized from these assets, to pay this liability, but the hope is not founded upon such data as to make it confident. From the known energy of the gentlemen entrusted with them, all that can, will be accomplished. For accurate information, as to the amount, thus far, collected, you are respectfully referred to the Report of the Treasurer.

The Commission to settle the claims of the creditors of the Darien Bank upon the State, under an act of the last General Assembly, approved, February 14th, 1854, performed the duty assigned them. The Hon. Eli H. Baxter, not accepting, William L. Mitchell, Esq., was appointed in his stead. The Hon. Walter T. Colquitt and Richard H. Clark, Esq., were appointed as Attorneys to represent the State before the Commissioners. Early however, in the progress of the investigations, the former departed this life, whereby the labour and responsibility were devolved upon the latter. It is but a tribute of justice to bear testimony to the signal ability and success, with which he performed the duty assigned him. By his diligence, industry and legal research, he doubtless saved the State many thousand dollars. The award of the Commissioners was appealed from to the Superior Court of Baldwin county, and thence, the questions of law were carried, by Writ of Error, to the Supreme Court. The ultimate liability of the State, including compensation to the Commissioners, Counsel fees and Court costs, was only \$48,500 00. By authority of the act under which the proceedings were had, this amount was paid, with the proceeds of State Bonds, sold at par, dated July 1st, 1855, and payable ten years after date, at the city of Savannah.

PUBLIC PRINTING.

The publication and distribution of the Laws and Journals, of the last Legislature were not accomplished until a year after the time required by the law regulating the duty of the Public Printer. This affords the second, of two successive instances, showing the absolute necessity of requiring this work to be performed at the Seat of Government. The act of the 16th of February. 1854, clothes the Executive with enlarged power over the subject and, under proper circumstances, it might be exercised with advantage. But there were considerations connected with the delinquency of the late Public Printer which induced forbearance. Under that act, if the delay, in the delivery of the Laws and Journals, go beyond six months, the Executive is authorised to remove him from the office and appoint a successor. Ere the expiration of the six months however, the Public Printer

had the misfortune to lose, by fire, almost the entire edition of the House Journal. Soon after that, the city of Savannah was visited by the Yellow Fever and he fell an early victim, leaving the work unfinished and the office vacant. Messrs. Boughton, Nisbet & Barnes of the Federal Union press, were appointed to reproduce the requisite number of copies of the burnt Journal, and they executed the work with great fidelity and dispatch. However sad the reasons for the delay in this instance, and however far they may go to remove the censure which the public mind, under other circumstances, would visit upon the delinquent, it does not weaken the reason for requiring the work to be done hereafter at the Seat of Government.

There is still another and unanswerable argument in support of such requisition. The 9th section of the act referred to, very properly, requires the Compiler, to read the proofs of the Laws and carefully compare them with the enrolled Acts. Those acts cannot be removed, with propriety, from file in the office of Secretary of State. Hence, the exceeding inconvenience, almost impracticability, of thus reading and comparing the proofs. I therefore, earnestly recommend, that, who ever may be the Public Printer or wheresoever resident, he shall be required, by law and the terms of his Bond, to execute the work in the city of Milledgeville. It will secure dispatch, accuracy and fidelity.

A large amount of the expense of this branch of the public service may be saved, without detriment. The law requires the publication of 4000 copies of the Journals of each House; whereas, 2000 copies of each would be a most ample supply. It is well known, that the Journals, in most cases, are deposited with the Clerks of the Courts of the several counties and are piled away unappropriated to mould or rot or waste. It also requires 5000 copies of the Laws, whereas 2500 would be sufficient. Why continue the useless expense of so many copies of the Laws and Journals? Under this head, there may be a still further reduction of the expense, by printing the Journals in smaller type. By the change, in these two respects, several thousand dollars may be saved to the Treasury, without any detriment to the public interest. I therefore recommend the publication of 2000 instead of 4000 copies of each of the Journals, and 2500, instead of 5000 copies of the Laws—the Journals in Long Primer, instead of Small Pica type. The marginal notes to the Laws are almost useless; they may well be dispensed with, and thus save another very considerable item of expense.

A still greater saving may be effected by letting the Public Printing to the lowest bidder, under sealed proposals, to be opened and the contract awarded, on a specified day, by

the Executive. I therefore recommend the adoption of this plan of selecting the Public Printer. Fidelity and despatch may be secured by responsible Bondsmen and the continuance of the powers of the Executive over the subject with which he is clothed by the existing laws.

Mr. Chapman received on account of printing the Laws and Journals the following sums, to-wit:

As an advance by legislative authority, . . .	\$6,000 00
Under Executive Warrant,	\$11,000 00
Freight on Journals properly chargeable to him, . . .	100 00
Paid J. M. Cooper & Co., to lift lien for binding Laws,	1,137 00

Amounting in the aggregate to \$18,237 00

For the work performed by him, according to an estimate made by Geo. Ringland and Wm. Barnes, practical printers, at the request of the Executive, he was entitled to receive \$13,749 80, showing an over payment of \$4,487 20. The estimate is based on what he would have been entitled to, according to the rates of compensation fixed by law prior to the act of 16th February, 1854. He should be held down to those rates, on account of his failure to perform the work according to contract, a faithful compliance with which only, entitled him to the increased compensation provided for by that act. If however, he should be considered as deserving, under the circumstances, the rates of compensation provided for by that act, he would then be entitled to receive for the work done by him the sum of \$16,172 00, which deducted from the \$18,237 00, which he actually received, shows an over payment still, of \$2,065 00. For the one or the other of these amounts of over payment, according as the Legislature shall hold him to the rates of compensation of the old or the new law, his securities are responsible to the State. Under this view of the subject, it is respectfully submitted to the General Assembly to determine whether, under the circumstances, they will direct suit to be brought upon the Bond of the State Printer.

THE SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.

The question of the removal of the Seat of Government has been agitated, from time to time, for many years. The last Legislature, impressed with the importance of its final settlement, referred it to the legal voters of the State, and required them to endorse on their tickets "removal" or "no removal," and "if to be removed, where." The following is the official vote on the first Monday of October last, accord-

ing to the official returns on file in the Executive Department: No removal, 49,781; Removal to Atlanta, 29,337; to Macon, 3,802; to Thomasville, 1; to Savannah, 93; to Marietta, 4; to Gordon, 1; to Fort Valley, 1; to Griffin, 313; to Waynesborough, 1; to Rome, 4; to Madison, 5; to Stone Mountain, 4; to Indian Springs, 2; to Sandersville, 5; to Barnesville, 1; to Hootensville, 1; to Augusta, 1; to Clarks-ville, 1; to St. Simon's Island, 1; to Lumpkin, 1; removal to no place designated, 952; scattering, 14. The aggregate vote upon the question of removal is 84,326, of which 49,781 were for "no removal," and but 34,545 for removal to all other places. Hence, it appears, that the majority for "no removal," over all others, is 15,246. The Gubernatorial vote, at the late election, was about 104,250, showing that there were about 19,705 legal voters who did not vote on the question of removal. Hence, if it be a fair construction, as it would seem to be, that their failure to vote is expressive of their contentment with Milledgeville as the Seat of Government, it is evident, that the popular will is overwhelmingly opposed to its removal. If the Legislature should concur in this view, then, it is due to the public as well as to the citizens of Milledgeville, that you should, at once, by decisive action, put a quietus to the further agitation of the question. Not the least effectual mode of accomplishing this object, will be to make necessary repairs and additions to your public buildings. The State House should be repaired and suitably enlarged. The square should be graded, cleared of the Arsenal, Magazine and the four Churches, upon just compensation to the respective denominations, set with shade trees, and enclosed by a substantial iron fence. The Executive Mansion, also, should be thoroughly repaired and refurnished, and the lot surrounded with an iron enclosure.

By resolution of the last Session, I was "requested to furnish to each branch of the Legislature, the amount of the original cost of the public buildings at Milledgeville, exclusive of the Penitentiary and Lunatic Asylum, and what amount is necessary to so repair them as to make them suitable for the purposes for which they were intended." This resolution passed just at the close of the Session, and consequently, could not be responded to, before its adjournment. I am unable, even now, to give a full reply. As far as can be ascertained, the public buildings, including State House, Executive Mansion, and out houses, the Arsenal and Magazine, have cost, first and last, about \$300,000 00. I have engaged Messrs. Sholl & Fay, professional Architects, to furnish information on the second branch of the resolution. They have already submitted to me a rough sketch of the additions and improvements to the State House which are necessary; and they authorize me to say, that the whole can be completed for \$125,000 to \$150,000. They are now en-

gaged in making the necessary drawings and estimates of the expense; and at an early day, they will be ready for transmission to the Legislature.

The State House is entirely unprotected against the ravages of fire. You should authorise the construction of a large cistern on either side, and the purchase of a Fire Engine. This precaution is highly important, and, cost what it may, it will be wise and provident economy.

ANNUAL SESSIONS.

I recommend a return to annual Sessions of the General Assembly. The growing and diversified interests of the State require it. The people, in a popular government, should, every year, have their minds specially directed to the principles on which it is based and should be conducted, and by their representatives, review its administration. Nothing will so effectually enforce responsibility upon its officers of every grade, from the highest to the lowest. So far from being an evil, annual elections are important; they interest the masses in the politics of their country, and they become enlightened by the discussions they provoke. The Executive term begins and ends with the Legislative, and consequently, both Governor and Legislature enter upon their respective departments without much knowledge of the duties they require. The Legislature adjourns and leaves the government in the hands of the Executive; his term expires at the assembling of the next, and no opportunity is afforded to review his conduct, until after he has retired from office. The remedy for this is a return to annual Sessions. But the duration of the Session should be limited by the Constitution.

EDUCATION.

Our political system is based upon the maxim, that the people are capable of self government. This presupposes intelligence, to know how to govern, and virtue, to give that intelligence proper direction. Hence, the importance of a system of public education to enlighten the intellects and moralize the hearts of the masses. The importance of this subject is paramount and should bring into requisition all the wisdom of the Legislature; whilst the thousands of poor children within the State, too indigent to provide for themselves the blessings of education, but who must have it, as an indispensable qualification for good citizenship, should awaken an enlarged and benevolent liberality. The returns for 1854 show that 42,467 belong to this class, who are entitled to participate in the pittance of \$23,388 provided for their benefit. The considerations which should prompt to efficient action are apparent to every reflecting mind. They are such as challenge the attention of the highest statesmanship. We see them not only in the necessity of educa-

tion to the perpetuity of popular liberty, but in the thousand social blessings which it confers. It promotes public peace, gives security to property, diminishes crime, lightens the expense of administering the laws, stimulates enterprise, directs industry and capital and hastens the march of civilization. The difficulty is, not to determine what ought to be done, but how it shall be done. The subject becomes more and more embarrassing, each successive year, because the increase of poor children, renders the amount of money adequate to the emergency, more difficult to be raised. Hence, if the Legislature ever intend to come up fully and fairly to the high mark of enlightened duty, it would seem, that the time has arrived, when they should initiate a system, capable of gradual expansion and self sustentation. I shall venture no specific recommendation. I prefer rather to submit the great subject to your wisdom, animated as it must be, by patriotic desire, to promote the happiness and prosperity of the State. But if I could command the power to awaken the proper spirit and excite the proper liberality, I would make the appeal with an urgency which should be overwhelming, that the General Assembly will not rise, until it shall have redeemed the high obligations of the *present*, to *future* generations. Georgia is in advance, in material prosperity and improvement; she is in the rear, on the subject of common school education. The ship, driven before the wind, may sail rapidly, for a time, without a helmsman, but she will be wrecked at last. Education is to State progress, what the helmsman is to the ship; the more rapid her career, without it, the sooner she will be stranded.

In this connection, the State University is earnestly commended to your fostering care. By reference to the act of 1785, "for the more full and complete establishment of a public seat of learning in this State," it is quite evident, that our forefathers designed to erect a University of the highest character. It is apparent, from the preamble to the bill and from the very liberal endowment for which they provided. In view of the paramount importance which they attached to liberal education, as a means of sustaining and perpetuating free government, they felt that it was a humiliating acknowledgment of the ignorance or inferiority of our own State, to send our youth abroad to others, for its acquisition. If this were true in 1785, the policy which, they then deplored, is still more to be deprecated now, when, by sending them to other States, they are surrounded by prejudices and influences against our domestic institutions, calculated to give an unwholesome direction to their sentiments. The original design of the founders of our State University ought therefore to be completed and perfected. It should be so endowed, and furnished with all the facilities for the prosecution of scientific research, as to enable the devotees of learn-

ing, to reach the highest attainments. Several other professorships should be created, and ample appropriations made for such compensation as will command the highest talent to fill them.

By the liberality of the late Dr. William Terrell, an Agricultural chair has been established and \$20,000 donated, the interest of which is to be applied to the support of its Professor, in the State University. But this is inadequate. To render the department efficient and useful, the Legislature should, not only increase the sum to the extent of an ample endowment, but also make a suitable appropriation for fitting it up with ample means of instruction, illustration and experiment. The appeal, upon this score, will not be in vain. It is the first movement, in Georgia, in favor of Agricultural education, hitherto more neglected, although more important, than any other branch. The Professor may produce annually his course of Lectures, and delight his class with the theory of Agriculture, but he must have the means of illustration and experiment to unfold its relations to, and dependence upon, Mineralogy, Geology, Botany, Chemistry, Natural History and Mechanics. Agriculture is the most important, because it is the foundation of, all other pursuits. It supplies Commerce and Manufactures, in all their various and multiplied departments, with whatever imparts to them activity, prosperity and vitality. Hence the indispensibility of its being directed and dignified by the light of science and the devotion of educated mind.

AGRICULTURE AND MINING.

The promotion of Agriculture and the development of our Mineral resources should engage the earnest attention of the Legislature. In the older region of the State, much of the lands have been exhausted by tillage, and planters are turning attention to the reclamation of swamps, by ditching and embanking. The latter process, in many instances, is prevented by the fact, that embankments throw back water over the lands of adjacent owners. When this is the case, the apprehension of an injunction arrests the enterprise. I recommend the passage of a law to authorise any person owning swamp land, on one side of a stream or creek, to embank the same, although it should have the effect to increase the water over the swamp of the other side, owned by another. Such an act will greatly promote such enterprises and lead to the reclamation of thousands of acres of the most productive lands, which are, otherwise, valueless.

As a further means of encouraging Agriculture and the development of the mineral wealth of the State, I recommend, that provision be made by the Legislature for the appointment, with a suitable salary, of State Geologist, Mineralogist and Agricultural Chemist. His office should be

located at the Capital and his general duty should be to make a Geological survey of the State, direct the mode of testing for ores, analyze soils and point out the various kinds of manures for their fertilization. To make the organization of such a department efficient and useful, it would require the State to be divided into Geological Districts, and the employment of assistants. Its details however, will readily suggest themselves to the Legislature, and the policy, once adopted in good earnest, time and experience will very soon perfect it. A similar appointment, in other States, has been attended with the most beneficial results. It is more easy to adduce than to select illustrations of its advantages. In Georgia, but little attention has been devoted to Agricultural education; and without disparagement to our planters, it must be confessed, that their success is mainly the result of fertility of soil and unconquerable energy and industry. They owe but little to the application of scientific principles to the multiplied details of the plantation. But as the lands become exhausted by such a system of cultivation, they will refuse their wonted yield, until science shall come to their rescue, by showing the means of their resuscitation. The office under consideration will, to a considerable extent, remedy this wide spread evil. By his analysis of specimens of soils furnished to him, he will explain to the owners the character, components and quantity of the manures required to fertilise them. By delivering public lectures as often, and at as many points, as he may be able, he will instruct the inhabitants of whole Agricultural districts, as to the qualities of their lands, and the fertilizers best calculated to confer upon them the highest capacity for production. This will soon awaken the proper spirit among the people and lead, as an ultimate result, to a just appreciation of the importance of Agricultural education. The aggregate of advantage could be ascertained only, by knowing fully the loss to the country, from the absence of, and the amount gained by, the application of science to the operations of the plantation. And how shall we estimate the thrift and activity which such an appointment will impart to the Mining interest of the State? Her mountains and hills are rich in embedded mines of ore. As yet, we have made but little progress in their discovery. Vast sums are expended, in blind experiments to ascertain their location, resulting often in the hopeless ruin of the zealous seeker after hidden wealth. The large amount saved, in the work of testing for ores, is the least of the advantages of the appointment under consideration. The actual wealth which would be developed by the scientific direction of these operations, is absolutely incalculable, whilst it would, at the same time, open new channels for capital and industry. and furnish employment for

thousands of laborers. I may not dwell at greater length upon this interesting topic. I trust it will engage the serious deliberations of the Legislature, and that they will act as becomes enlightened statesmen.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

By an act of the last General Assembly, approved February 9th, 1854, the Governor was directed, to cause to be procured in some cheap and economical way, fifty standards of weights and measures, each to correspond in weight and measure, with those now in the Executive office, for the use of the new and such old counties, as have not been supplied under the Act of the 23d of December, 1839. Upon proper investigation, it was ascertained, that it would require about \$3,500 00; and as the Legislature made no provision for the payment, the act has not been carried into execution. The object is important and you should make the requisite appropriation.

JUDICIARY.

A case has been brought to my notice, by the enlightened courtesy of the Hon. W. B. Flemming, Judge of the Eastern Circuit, which suggests the propriety of legislative remedy.

A man by the name of McCollough killed a negro, the property of Robert Habersham, Esq., at Fort Jackson.— That place being under the exclusive control of the United States, although within the county of Chatham, he was indicted before the Circuit Court of the United States, and under the charge of Judge Nicoll, was acquitted, on the ground, that the Court had no jurisdiction. He was subsequently indicted in the Superior Court of Chatham and was acquitted upon the plea of former acquittal. The negro was shot at Fort Jackson, but *died* beyond it. Hence, the Circuit Court had no jurisdiction. If he had been prosecuted in the first instance in Chatham Superior Court, then, the plea to the jurisdiction, sustained by the proof, that the *act* was committed at Fort Jackson, which belongs to the United States, would have produced his acquittal. Hence the Legislature should provide, that, in such a case, the prosecution may be had, and the offender tried in the county, in which the death takes place.

The object of punishment is to prevent crime. To be effectual, it must be sufficiently severe, to operate as a terror to evil doers, and sufficiently certain, to cut off the hope of impunity. If it be too mild, the offender will rather endure it, than forego the gratification of his vicious passions and unlawful designs. If more than commensurate with the turpitude of the crime, it shocks the sense of public justice, and consequently the transgressor escapes. These re-

marks are suggested by the act of the last session, approved 20th February, 1854, imposing Penitentiary punishment on Faro dealing, and gaming of that character. The evil intended to be prevented is great, but the law fails to answer the purpose. There has not been a single conviction under it. The offence goes entirely unpunished—even unprosecuted. It abounds in all our cities and at our fashionable watering places. It is bold; it scarcely seeks to conceal itself from public gaze. Why is this? It is because the penalty is too severe. Public opinion does not demand that it shall be visited with Penitentiary imprisonment. Hence, the law goes unexecuted, and instead of preventing, it has increased the evil it designed to suppress. I therefore recommend its repeal, or such modification as will adjust the penalty to the nature of the offence.

The law organizing the Supreme Court for the Correction of Errors, requires that tribunal to hold its sessions at nine different points in the State, to-wit: Columbus, Americus, Macon, Decatur, Milledgeville, Augusta, Gainesville, Cassville, and Savannah, and to deliver their opinions upon each case, during the respective Terms. This imposes so much travel upon the Judges, and such haste in the formation of opinions, as not only to make their labours almost intolerable, but deprives them of the time for deliberation and patient research, so indispensable for the correct determination of important legal questions. This is a glaring defect and disqualifies the Court from being as useful to the State, as it might and would be, if it were cured. It is doubtless, the true cause of the dissatisfaction with the Court, which obtains in some sections of the State, and threatens its abolition. This would be a retrograde movement, and the idea is not to be tolerated for a moment. The most enlightened Courts sometimes err, even under circumstances most favorable for the investigation of truth. Organised as is our Supreme Court, the wonder is, that it does not err oftener, and instead of this furnishing a ground for dispensing with, it ought to present enlightened men with the strongest reason for remedying its imperfections. I therefore recommend, that the Constitution be so altered as to confine its sessions to one point in the State; and as the State is collecting a valuable Law Library at the Capital, it is the proper point for its permanent location. They should also be permitted, when the Judges may desire, to hold up cases for further deliberation and investigation. This will correct the prominent defects in its organization and render it more efficient.

RETAIL LICENSE.

It is painful to the patriot and christian to witness the ravages of intemperance. Like war and pestilence, it leaves

in its pathway its millions of victims slain, lamentation and woe. It pours desecration and contempt upon all that is hallowed in domestic life, and all that is sacred in the rites of our holy religion. The good man naturally enquires for a remedy. He looks back upon the past—eloquence and argument have grappled with it, social organization has exerted its combined instrumentality, Christianity has wept and prayed over it—and yet the evil continues. Losing sight of the potency of moral suasion, losing faith in the ultimate triumph of truth and virtue, and impatient for summary relief, he feels that legislation must come to the rescue, by prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors. This leads us to search for the delicate line which defines the legitimate sphere of the civil power. The Legislature is the guardian of the general welfare. It is its duty to secure public peace and tranquility, and to protect persons, character and property. But why? Not because religion enjoins, but because the interest of the body social demands it. Hence, social and civil necessity only should both prompt and limit legislative action; the promotion of the morality which religion inculcates must be an incidental result, not the primary object. This is the true criterion to guide the law-making power. To transcend it is fanaticism, because it is the recognition of a principle, which would justify the civil authority in taking charge of the consciences of men and enforcing moral reforms by law, which can only be legitimately done by appeal to reason. Hence, the danger and impolicy of attempting to aid the temperance cause by legislative prohibition of the traffic in ardent spirits. It is not only wrong as a principle of legislation, but the public sentiment being adverse to it, the law would not be enforced, intemperance would be undiminished, and the social evils aggravated, which it would design to suppress.

It does not follow however, that there are not abuses connected with our retail license law, which are within the legitimate reach of the Legislative arm. Whoever will examine the criminal dockets of our Courts, will see abundant proof, that the system needs the restraint of a more rigid and wholesome police. It is the fruitful source of crime against life, person, property and the public peace; and therefore it is the duty of the Legislature to apply a remedy. I have given this subject much reflection and am satisfied that, if the existing laws could be sternly enforced, most of the evils connected with our license system would cease. Why are they not enforced? Is it because public sentiment posed to them? Is it because good citizens do not approve them? Is it because the penalties are too severe? By no means. But it is because their violation is covered in secrecy and darkness, so that they escape discovery and detection. The grand defect therefore, is apparent. It lies in

the fact, that the existing law requires the Clerk of the Inferior Court of each County, to grant, as a matter of course, a license to every man who complies with its precedent conditions. Hence, in too many instances, bad and unprincipled men obtain permission to retail, who defy the restraints of law, if they can conceal its violation. Now suppose the retail traffic were confined to men who would respect and faithfully obey the laws for its regulation, is it not evident that the great mass of existing evils that afflict society would cease? The remedy then, is to confine the granting of licenses to such men. How can you effect this? Withdraw the granting power from the Clerk, and vest it in the sound discretion of the Inferior Court of each county. As the guardians of the general welfare, they will exclude vicious and corrupt men from the traffic, and confide it to those whose known fidelity to the laws of the land will be a guarantee for well regulated, and orderly houses. I feel confident, that this change in the license law, would vindicate itself, by the benefits it would diffuse, and meet a sustaining response in the public sentiment.

MILITARY.

Our Militia system requires entire reorganization. It might be well to substitute a commutation tax in lieu of the present onerous requisition of personal service, at the option of the militiaman.

The State should encourage the organization of Volunteer companies. The judicious application of the fund arising from the commutation would be well devoted to that object.

Previous to the last Congress, the State lost largely in the quota of Arms to which she was entitled from the Federal government under the law of 1808, on account of the imperfect returns of our militia strength. We have lost not less than \$50,000, equal to 3846 muskets. But the law is now so amended, as to distribute the quotas of Arms to the several States, according to their representation in Congress. Still however, it is important for you to adopt some plan to ascertain the numerical strength of our Militia. It may be done by requiring the receiver of tax returns in the several counties, to make a list of all male citizens between the ages of 18 and 45 years. This list could be tabulated among their respective Regiments, Brigades and Divisions under the direction of the Governor. This would enable the Commander-in-Chief, in case of a call for troops by the General Government, if the number were greater than could be raised by volunteers, to equalize the draft among the several military divisions.

The State will, in a few years be supplied by a well educated, scientific and efficient corps of young men, to officer her troops, should necessity require, in the graduates of the

Georgia Military institute, capable to discharge the duties of any post, in any department of military service. Two classes, one of six and the other of fifteen members, have already been graduated ; their scientific skill and military knowledge can readily be made available and the volunteer organization of the State placed upon a permanent footing.

There are in the Arsenal, at Savannah, 30 pieces of siege and field Artillery. Most of them have been condemned as useless. They should be sold. The small arms, in both our Arsenals are of obsolete model. These also, with the exception of the Tower muskets in the Arsenal at Milledgeville, should be exchanged for new and efficient weapons.

I commend to your fostering care the Georgia Military Institute. It is destined to supply a great and important desideratum—military education and the nurture of a proper military spirit. Having enjoyed peace so long, we permit both to be neglected. The character of our civil institutions and the pursuits of our people are not calculated to stimulate the arts of war. It is well to be so ; but we ought to profit by the lesson of history, that no people ever preserved their freedom who were not both willing and prepared to fight for it.

ACADEMY FOR THE BLIND.

I transmit the third Annual Report of the Georgia Academy for the Blind, and respectfully refer you thereto, for information as to its progress and financial operations. The sightless objects of its care are entitled to the sympathy and aid of every patriot and philanthropist. The successions of day and night—the changes of the seasons, clothing Nature in the loveliness of infinitely variegated colors, are all unenjoyed, unappreciated by the blind. To them, earthly existence is one long, dark, monotonous night, without a glimmering star to relieve its gloom. Let the Legislature take them under its fostering care, and nurse this infant school into vigorous maturity and efficient usefulness.

GEORGIA ASYLUM FOR THE DEAF AND DUMB.

The Georgia Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb presents similar claims upon your favorable consideration. Its sixth annual Report, herewith transmitted, shows that it is gradually advancing in usefulness. The institution needs more extended accommodations, in the way of buildings. The Report represents, that about \$8,000 will be sufficient for the purpose, and asks the Legislature for its appropriation. It would be well, also, that provision should be made for the employment of an agent, to devote his whole time, in seeking out and bringing to the Institution the unfortunate objects whom it is designed to benefit. The same individual might also be the agent of the Academy for the Blind, and

thus perform the service for both establishments. This arrangement would be, at once, economical and useful, and bring both the Blind and the Mute within the genial sphere of an education adapted to their respective conditions.

LUNATIC ASYLUM.

The Lunatic Asylum, although far from completion, both as to the necessary buildings and the full consummation of the object of its establishment, is yet sufficiently advanced to become a fixed and settled object of Legislative regard and support. Its ultimate success is now beyond contingency. It is destined to be an honor to the taste, liberality and philanthropy of Georgia. Under the Act, approved February 18th, 1854, I appointed Drs. R. D. Arnold, Richard Moore and Phillip Minis, and Hines Holt and A. M. Nisbet, Esqrs., to investigate and determine upon the buildings necessary to be erected, for the additional accommodation of Lunatics. Upon the resignation of Dr. Minis and Col. Holt, their vacancy was filled by the appointment of R. H. Ramsay and Nathan McGehee, Esqrs. The necessary buildings have been determined upon, put under contract, and are in rapid progress of construction. I refer you to the Report of this Board, herewith transmitted, for the details of their proceedings, the terms of the contracts for the buildings, the amount expended, and the amount necessary to their completion.

Looking to the proviso of the fourth Section of this Act, I first doubted, whether it authorized the work to proceed, if the estimates transcended \$50,000. But being satisfied, as it must appear to every intelligent man, that the Institution could not be enlarged to an extent equal to the necessity of the case, nor in architectural harmony with the original design, nor in accordance with the character of the State, my construction of the proviso was, that it intended to limit the expenditure to \$50,000 prior to another Session of the Legislature. It was the opinion also, of the Commissioners, a majority of them being Physicians, familiar with the necessities of such Institutions, that, if the Legislature intended to limit the extent of the improvements within the aggregate and final sum of \$50,000, it was totally inadequate to furnish the necessary additional accommodations. Hence, it seemed to be the reasonable intention of the Act, to initiate such improvements and additions to the Asylum buildings, as would enable the Institution to fulfill the end of its establishment, to appropriate \$50,000 for the the first two years, and leave it to a succeeding Legislature to complete the work. Under this construction of the law I did not hesitate to sanction the Report of the gentlemen appointed, and permit the work to progress. It will devolve upon the Legislature to make the appropriation necessary for its completion.

I herewith transmit the bi-ennial Report of the Trustees

Superintendent and Resident Physician. From them, you will learn fully the progress, condition and operations of the Institution; all reflecting credit upon the fidelity and ability of those to whom its interests are confided. They will disclose to you its wants; let them be supplied with a liberality commensurate with the claims of the unfortunate demented, and worthy the character of a great and growing State.

PARDONING POWER.

The Executive is charged with no duty more embarrassing and delicate than that of deciding upon petitions for Pardon. In most cases, the application is sustained, not only by a long list of signers, but by the streaming tears of the heart broken wife or mother. To resist such appeals requires a firmness of nerve, bordering upon stoicism, and a deafness to the cry of distress, which resembles indifference to human wo. But the Executive, whilst he remembers his oath to execute the law in "mercy," must also look steadfastly to the great interests of society which are involved in the exercise of the Pardoning Power. The public are deeply concerned in the proper punishment of crime. The security of life, property, reputation and the social weal depend upon it. Certainty and uniformity in the execution of the criminal laws are of incalculable importance. They are terrors to evil doers, whilst facility, in pardoning offences, gives license to the commission of crime, by holding out the hope of impunity. Impressed with these views and the opinion, that too much clemency has been heretofore practised, I have interposed with great caution. For the purpose of preserving consistency and settling the principles upon which this power should be exercised, I have opened a book in this office, entitled the "Pardon Docket," in which every case of application is entered, and the reasons briefly stated on which it was decided; and I have adopted written rules for my guidance. In order that proper responsibility to the public may be secured, I respectfully recommend the passage of a law requiring the Executive, in future, to communicate to the Legislature, at the opening of each session, a full list of Pardons granted, together with a statement of the reasons on which his decision of each case was predicated. This will draw attention to, and result in the formation of a sounder public opinion, upon this important subject.

Under the provision of the seventh Section of the First Article of the Constitution of this State, on the 6th of June last, I respite the sentence against Jacob Mercer convicted of the murder of Green B. Lee, in the county of Stewart, and adjudged to be hung on the 15th day of June, 1855. On the 25th day of August last, I also respite the sentence against John T. Boyd, convicted of the murder, in the second degree, of Alexander M. Robinson, in the county of

Muscogee, and adjudged to be hung on the 7th day of September 1855. The sentence, in both cases, is respited until the 23d day of the present month. It will therefore behoove the Legislature to give their early attention to these cases. It is not designed, that the action of the Executive, shall be construed into the expression of an opinion, as to what ought to be the final decision of the Legislature. The cases should be decided strictly upon their merits. But human life being suspended upon my action, I felt bound to give the unfortunate convicts the benefit of every extenuating circumstance, and cast upon the pardoning power the responsibility of determining their fate.

Former Legislatures, in a few instances, have exercised the pardoning power, by passing laws for that purpose, in cases not capital. The constitutionality of such action is so questionable, that it ought never again to be attempted. The 7th section of the 1st Article of the State Constitution, confers upon the Governor the power "to grant pardons, or to remit any part of a sentence, in all cases after conviction, except for Treason or Murder, in which case he may respite the execution and make report thereof to the next General Assembly, by whom a pardon may be granted." Hence the power to pardon, in cases, not capital, is entirely distinct from the power to pardon, in capital offences. The one is vested in the Governor, the other in the General Assembly. Therefore, the First Section of the First Article of the Constitution would seem to settle the question. It declares that, "The Legislative, Executive, and Judiciary departments of Government shall be distinct, and each department shall be confined to a separate body of magistracy; and no person or collection of persons, being one of those departments, shall exercise any power properly attached to either of the others, except in the instances herein expressly permitted." It is needless to say, the power under consideration is not one of these "instances." The Executive will always respect the wishes of the Legislature, and therefore, it were better for them, to recommend him to pardon, where, in cases not capital, they think clemency is due, than to attempt the exercise of a power so questionable as the enactment of a law for that purpose.

BOUNDARY LINE BETWEEN FLORIDA AND GEORGIA.

In conformity with an interlocutory decree of the Supreme Court of the United States, the last General Assembly, by Resolution, required the Executive to appoint a Commissioner and Surveyor, on the part of Georgia, to run and mark the boundary line between the States of Florida and Georgia, whenever the former should signify its acceptance of the terms of the Decree, and its readiness to proceed therewith. This resolution was duly exe-

cuted by the appointment of Alexander A. Allen, Esq., as Commissioner, and James R. Butts, Esq., as Surveyor on the part of this State. These gentlemen, in conjunction with the Commissioner and Surveyor on the part of Florida, devoted four months to the prosecution of the work; and by the amount of labour performed, the information collected, and the science exhibited, they fully evinced their industry, fidelity and capacity. But the survey was not completed. It was abruptly terminated on account of a misunderstanding between the two Commissioners, as to the terms agreed upon by them, on which the work should be performed. This, with other causes, prevented a hearing of the case, pending between the two States, at the last session of the Supreme Court; and upon motion of the Attorney General of the United States, the United States was permitted by the Court to intervene and to become a party thereto. This is the present status of this unpleasant controversy.

By letter, dated 24th of September of the present year, Governor Broome proposed, that by consent of the Executives of the respective States, the cause should be continued, in order to "obtain from the Legislature of each State authority for the settlement of the question and its removal from the Court." After consultation with John McPherson Berricu, Esq., the leading counsel, in behalf of Georgia, this proposition was accepted, and the cause will be continued for the purpose indicated. Florida is the complaining party and instituted the suit. Hence, it was deemed best to yield to her wishes, thus expressed, not only as a matter of courtesy, but to evince a cheerful readiness to reciprocate every indication of amity emanating from her. The existence of litigation between adjoining sister States of the confederacy, identified in interest, is a matter, deeply to be deplored. It is better to terminate it by settlement, if possible—more consonant with the dignity and decorum that should characterize their intercourse. The tone and tenor of Gov. Broome's letter are such, as to justify the hope, that the effort may lead to the most gratifying result. He says: "It is believed, that, with the information acquired by the commission of last year, a settlement may be effected, provided a proper spirit of conciliation exists, and of this he entertains no doubt." It will doubtless be your pleasure to meet the State of Florida, on the terms and in the spirit proposed. I therefore respectfully suggest, that the General Assembly adopt such measures as will enable the negotiation to be entered upon, for the settlement of this long standing controversy. The manner of conducting it, whether by the Executive or by a special commissioner clothed with the requisite power, will be prescribed by the Legislature. The matter is respectfully submitted and your action invoked.

BRUNSWICK.

The Resolution of the last Legislature, approved February 15th, 1854, recommending to the Congress of the United States, the establishment of a Naval Depot, at the city of Brunswick, was forwarded to our Senators and Representatives. They brought the subject before Congress and elicited a report from the Secretary of the Navy, highly favourable to the ultimate success of the enterprise. When it is considered that Brunswick offers the best harbor for shipping south of the Chesapeake, that it is a point at which all the material for ship building and repairing can be obtained, on the most favourable terms, that there is no Navy Yard between Norfolk and Pensacola, a length of coast of nearly two thousand miles, that it is capable of being made a strong point for military defence to the Southern Atlantic coast, and that it is the natural outlet to that ocean, for the extensive travel and trade of the vast country stretching along the Gulf of Mexico, the object, contemplated by the resolution, is one of deep concern to the State of Georgia. It should be urged by all proper means and influences.

FEDERAL RELATIONS.

I herewith transmit Resolutions and Acts of the Legislatures of various States which have been forwarded to this Department. They generally concern, either directly or indirectly, our Federal Relations; and some of them are of a character which renders it doubtful, whether a proper self-respect should not have dictated their silent return to the source whence they emanated. But it is deemed best to err on the side of courtesy, and viewed in connection with the present political condition of our country, they suggest matter of the gravest import for your consideration.

In 1850, the people of Georgia, responding to a Proclamation of their Chief Magistrate, met in Convention, for the purpose "of determining the course which the State would pursue, in reference to a series of Acts passed by the Congress of the United States, known as the "Compromise measures." All those measures, "directly or indirectly affected the institution of slavery," but were designed to form a connected "scheme of pacific adjustment." While Georgia found in it "matter for objection and matter for approval," still, in a spirit of devotion to the Union, she calmly considered in Sovereign Convention, whether, "*consistent with her honor,*" she could "abide by the general scheme of pacification," and whether her *interest* lay "in adherence to it, or in resistance." The result was, that whilst she did not "wholly approve," yet she would "abide by it," as a permanent adjustment of this sectional controversy. But she did so upon terms. She put the world upon notice, that she "will and ought to resist, even (*as a last resort,*) to a disruption of

every tie that binds her to the Union, any future action of Congress, upon the subject of slavery in the District of Columbia, or in places subject to the jurisdiction of Congress, incompatible with the safety, domestic tranquility, the rights and honor of the slaveholding States; or any act suppressing the slave trade between the slaveholding States, or any refusal to admit, as a State, any territory hereafter applying, because of the existence of Slavery therein, or any act prohibiting the introduction of slaves into the territories of Utah and New Mexico, or any act repealing or materially modifying the laws now in force for the recovery of fugitive slaves." It was hoped that these measures would prove, what they were promised to be, a final adjustment of the slavery agitation, and that the country would thenceforth enjoy repose. It was hoped, that, after making so large a sacrifice, involving a surrender of all participation, on the part of the slaveholding States, in the vast territory of California, the spirit of free soil aggression would be appeased. It was hoped, that the exhibition of such disinterested devotion to the Union would provoke a cordial reciprocation, on the part of the nonslaveholding States, and restore those fraternal relations, between the two great sections of the Confederacy, which prompted the magnanimous compromises of the Constitution. But this hope has not been realized. The agitation continues. The storm cloud still obscures the glories of our political firmament and threatens to discharge its thunder on our heads.

The laws now in force for the recovery of fugitive slaves, have not been repealed or materially modified. But it is constantly threatened. The Convention of 1850, expressed the deliberate opinion, that "upon the faithful execution of the *Fugitive Slave Law*, by the proper authorities, depends the preservation of our much loved Union." How contemptuously has the declaration been treated in some of the non-slaveholding States! In Massachusetts, Vermont and other States, acts have been passed, virtually nullifying the law. In some instances it has not been executed, and with great difficulty in every instance, where it has been. A slave escaped from Maryland into Pennsylvania. His owner went to recapture him—was butchered, and the Courts failed to execute the law or punish the crime. A slave escaped from Virginia to the city of Boston. To effect his recovery, the President had to order the army and navy to protect the Marshall, at an expense of more than \$100,000. Such are specimens of the manner in which the Fugitive Slave Law is enforced, although the Georgia Convention declared, that the Union depends upon its faithful execution. A case for resistance however, is not made, until it shall be repealed or materially modified by Congress. Therefore, if no redress can be had, consistently with the

constitution, in the adoption of retaliatory measures, let us, "in patience possess our souls," trusting, that the patriotism of the North may yet be rallied to the rescue.

The compromise measures of 1850, established the principle, that the people of the territories should determine the question of slavery for themselves and that hereafter, such territories should be admitted, as States, into the Union, with or without slavery, as they should decide. The last Congress passed an Act to organise territorial governments for Kansas and Nebraska, in which this principle was practically applied; and by the repeal of the Missouri prohibition which it contains, it opens these territories to the slaveholder, with his property. The late elections in Kansas show, that a large majority of the people are in favour of adopting slavery as a part of their domestic system; and the indications are, that she will probably apply, during the ensuing Congress, for admission to the Union as a slaveholding State. This brings up the paramount question of the day. Looking to the elements of the next Congress, it seems, that the anti-slavery free soil sentiment is in the ascendancy and that her application will be rejected. This therefore is the condition of affairs—on the one hand, we see the threat, and the power to execute it, to refuse the admission of this territory, as a State into the Union, "because of the existence of slavery therein;" on the other, Georgia stands pledged to resist such an act, "even (*as a last resort,*) to a disruption" of the Union. How then, can we secure the admission of Kansas as a slaveholding State, without resorting to this fearful ultimatum? It can only be done by an unflinching adherence to the position which the State has taken. She is the centre of the column of her Southern confederates; they will rally around and sustain her. If she falters fall is lost. The determination to resist is settled; the manner is not. The Convention failed to specify in this particular. It being the province of the sovereign, the Legislature cannot supply the omission. I therefore recommend you to provide by law, for the calling of a State Convention, in the event of the rejection of Kansas, "because of the existence of slavery therein," to deliberate upon and determine the time and mode of the resistance contemplated by the 4th resolution of the Convention of 1850.

The benefits of such action by the Legislature are apparent. Should the contingency arise after your adjournment, it would make the call of an extra session absolutely necessary. By providing for it now, you save a heavy expense to the Treasury.

Another advantage will be the conviction upon the minds of the people of the non-slaveholding States, that Georgia is in earnest. This is important, for they do not believe it. The r freesoil presses and speakers ridicule the idea, that

we are the least serious, in our avowed determination to resist. We feel and know that we are ; and as a matter of mere good faith, we should undeceive them, ere their delusion betray them to extremes from which there is no retreat.

Such action moreover, will furnish the sound Constitutional men of the North, with the most potent argument by which to appeal to the patriotism of their fellow-citizens. It will arrest the attention of all thinking minds, and rouse, to the highest degree, that devotion to the Union which animates the bosoms of the masses in every section. It will "strengthen the knees and hold up the hands" of that intrepid band of Northern patriots who, both in and out of Congress, are willing to stand by the South in this perilous struggle. If we fail to maintain our position, they fall ; we strike from them the prop that supports them ; they will be overwhelmed for folly, if they attempt to vindicate our rights, after we have failed to battle for them.

Nor should such action by the Legislature, be regarded in the light of a threat to the non-slaveholding States. That would be as derogatory to the dignity of Georgia, as it would be wounding to their pride. But in the words of the Convention of 1850, "we should address to them the language of calm and frank remonstrance, rather than of defiance or menace. We would recall them to the faithful discharge of duty as confederates, by an appeal to their reason and their moral sense." If, after all, the appeal, in the form suggested, should prove unavailing, we should have the proud satisfaction, of having placed our State triumphantly in the right, and of casting upon them the fearful responsibility of driving her to her fearful ultimatum.

Let me not be understood as counselling rash and precipitate action. The call of such a Convention, should it become necessary, might not, as a matter of course, lead to disunion. It might be within the scope of human wisdom to devise other means of redress. It would certainly be their duty, as it would be their desire, if possible, to do so. "Disruption" should indeed be *the* "last resort."

Still however, if they should, after mature deliberation, become satisfied, that dissolution would be the only remedy, it could not, in the very nature of the case, be carried into instant effect. It would require several months, and during that time, the reaction in the non-slaveholding States might be so decided and salutary, as to evince a sense of returning justice and of renewed fealty to the Constitution. Indeed, we already see the indication of a favorable reaction, which encourages the hope, that the patriotism of the North will save us from the necessity of resorting to the ultimatum of the "Georgia Platform." It is evinced by the recent elections, and has been brought about by the noble and self-sacrificing efforts of the sound men of the non-slaveholding

States. At all events, the Convention would not act hastily. Whilst they would proceed with the firmness of unalterable purpose, they would also act with well considered prudence and caution. They would not adopt an ordinance for immediate and unconditional disruption; but provide for it to take effect at a day future, sufficiently remote to admit of this reaction. In the mean time the popular elections will have transpired in the non-slaveholding States; another Congress may have assembled, who, upon reconsideration, and seeing the position of Georgia, and the peril of the Union, may admit Kansas as a slaveholding State. Let the Ordinance of resistance therefore, be framed so as to allow time for reaction, if need be and to be null and void upon the admission of Kansas by a specified day future, but to take effect, *ipso facto* upon its final rejection. This would present the most powerful appeal to the non-slaveholding States, in favor of the rights of the South and the Union. Above all, it would make them responsible for consequences, and vindicate the position of Georgia in the estimation of mankind. I conscientiously believe this to be the best way to preserve the Union. It is as a lover of the Union, that I recommend it. Georgia has solemnly declared, that "the American Union is secondary in importance only to the rights and principles, it was designed to perpetuate;" and in accordance with this, she has solemnly announced, that she will "resist, (*even as a last resort,*) to a disruption of every tie that binds her to the Union," the acts of Congressional encroachment enumerated in the 4th Resolution of the Convention of 1850. These two announcements taken together, if they mean anything, express her determination to maintain her rights in the Union, if she can; but out of the Union, if she must. The people of Georgia endorse the vow; let their Representatives prove themselves equal to the emergency.

This communication is necessarily suggestive, not argumentative; otherwise, its length, instead of being tiresome, as it is, would be intolerable. I have barely glanced at the most important subjects which claim your consideration.—It remains for you, in your wisdom, inspired by enlarged and devoted patriotism, to dispose of them as may "appear most conducive to the interest and prosperity of the State."

HERSCHEL V JOHNSON.

Mr. Haynie of Floyd, offered the following resolution, to wit:

Resolved That one hundred and fifty copies of the Governor's Message be printed for the House.

Mr. Milledge, offered as an amendment to insert "two hundred and fifty," which was accepted.

Mr. Lewis, offered as a further amendment, the following, "Provided the form set up for those already printed have not been distributed," and the same as amended was agreed to.

Mr. Pickett of Gilmer, offered the following resolution which was agreed to, to wit :

Resolved. That the Clerk be directed to inform the Senate, that the House will be pleased to receive them at 3 1-2 o'clock this afternoon, in the Representative Hall, for the purpose of counting out, and adding up, the votes for Governor at the last election.

The House then took a recess until half past 3 o'clock.
P. M.

HALF PAST THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor, by Mr. Briscoe, his Secretary :

Mr. Speaker :—I am directed by the Governor to lay before the House of Representatives certain communications in writing :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
MILLEDGEVILLE, November 6th, 1855. }

"An act to carry into effect an act entitled an act respecting Bastardy and other immoralities, approved December 16th, 1793, and for other purposes," was passed by both branches of the General Assembly at the last session, but was presented to me too late for any action upon it. I, therefore, return it to the House of Representatives, in which it originated, with my objections to it.

In my judgment, it is so uncertain in its terms and phraseology, that it cannot be executed with judicial legislation. Refer particularly to the Third Section. What can be meant, by declaring, that *a new suit* shall not be awarded, provided the same be set out according to its legal meaning and effect? Who ever heard of awarding a new suit on account of the informality of pleading? The words new suit were intended, I presume, to be non-suit; otherwise the third section is nonsense. Without such correction of the phraseology of the law, it could not be executed according to the intention of the Legislature, and being opposed to judicial corrections and interpolations, I withheld my approval.

HERSCHEL V JOHNSON.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
 MILLEDGEVILLE, GA., Nov. 6th, 1855. }

I return to the House of Representatives in which it originated, "An Act to incorporate certain Churches, Camp-grounds, Academies, Seminaries and Masonic Lodges herein named and for other purposes." The endorsements on the enrolled bill would indicate that it regularly passed both branches of the General Assembly. But the bill itself is not attested by the signature of the President of the Senate, and is not, therefore, in condition for Executive sanction. It was not presented to me in time to be acted on before the adjournment of the last Legislature. It is, therefore, submitted with the above statement of the reason that it did not become a law.

HERSCHEL V JOHNSON.

On motion of Mr. Haynie, the Clerk was directed to inform the Senate, that the House of Representatives, are now ready to receive them in their Chamber for the purpose of counting out, adding up and consolidating the votes polled at the last Gubernatorial election.

The President and members of the Senate, attended in the House of Representatives, and the General Assembly proceeded to examine and count out the votes, returned from the several counties in this State for Governor, and on counting, and consolidating the same, it appeared that the Hon. Herschel V Johnson, had received fifty-three thousand four hundred and seventy-eight votes, and that the Hon. Garbett Andrews, had received forty-three thousand two hundred and twenty-eight votes, and that the Hon. B. H. Overly, had received six thousand two hundred and eighty-four votes, that the Hon. Charles J. Jenkins had received seven votes, and that the Hon. John E. Ward had received one vote.

The Hon. Herschel V Johnson, having received a majority of the whole number of votes given in, he was therefore declared duly elected Governor of Georgia for the ensuing two years.

The President and members of the Senate then withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Terhune of Floyd, it was,

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed by the Speaker, to join such committee, as may be appointed on the part of the Senate, to wait upon the Hon. Herschel V Johnson, and inform him of his election as Governor of this State, and request his acceptance of the same.

Whereupon the Speaker appointed Messrs. Terhune of Floyd, Lewis of Hancock, Johnson of Cass, Henderson of Newton, and Jones of Lowndes.

On motion of Mr. Haynie, the House adjourned until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, NOV 7th, 1855.

9 O'CLOCK, P M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Porter, Representative of the county of Effingham, appeared, presented his credentials, was qualified, and took his seat.

Mr. Crook reported

A bill to be entitled an act, for the pardon of Jacob Mercer of the county of Stewart, now under sentence of death for the crime of Murder, which was read the first time.

Mr. Burnett of Glynn, offered a resolution in reference to the establishment of a weekly mail route from Mount Pleasant in Glynn county, via. Speightville and Elias Forts, to Pendarvis's Store, in Wayne county, which was read.

Mr. Cannon of Rabun, moved the appointment of a committee to make suitable arrangements, and prepare for the Inauguration, to-day, of his Excellency Herschel V Johnson.

Upon which motion the Speaker appointed the following committee: Messrs. Cannon of Rabun, Haynie of Floyd, Battle of Monroe, Williams of Bibb, and Burnett of Glynn.

Mr. Crook of Chattooga, offered the following resolution, which was agreed to, to wit:

Resolved, That the Clerk have printed, for the use of the House, two hundred copies of the testimony and proceedings in the case of the State vs. Jacob Mercer, of the county of Stewart, who is now under sentence of death, for the crime of Murder.

The following message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker:—I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives they have concurred in the Resolution of the House appointing a committee to wait on the Hon. Herschel V Johnson, and notify him of his election as Governor, and have appointed on their part a committee consisting of Messrs. Wingfield, Miller, Hardeman and Camden.

The following message was received from the Senate by Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker:—I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have appointed a committee consisting of Messrs. McMillan, Moore of Lincoln, Strickland, Wales and Smith of Jones, to join such committee as may be appointed on the part of the House to make arrangements for the Inauguration of the Governor elect, and to invite distinguished individuals to attend the same.

The committee appointed to wait on the Hon. Herschel V Johnson, inform him of his election, and request his ac-

ceptance of the same, beg leave to report, that they have discharged the duty assigned them, and that His Excellency will be prepared to take the oath of office this day at 12 M. in this Chamber.

Mr. Jones, of Muscogee, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That two hundred and fifty copies of the documents accompanying the Message of His Excellency the Governor be printed for the use of this House.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, the same was laid on the table for the present.

On motion of Mr. Phillips of Habersham, the House took a recess until half past eleven o'clock, A. M.

HALF PAST ELEVEN O'CLOCK, A. M.

The House again convened, and, on motion of Mr. Haynie, the Clerk was directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives are now ready to receive them in their Chamber for the purpose of proceeding with the inauguration of the Governor elect ; which duty being performed, at 12 o'clock, M., the President and Members of the Senate attended. The Governor elect was introduced by the joint committee, attended by the State House Officers, the Judges of the Supreme Court, Reporter and Clerk, the Judges of the Superior Courts, Members of Congress, ex-Governors, ex-Members of Congress, and other distinguished visitors and citizens, when he addressed the General Assembly and took the oath prescribed by the Constitution of the State. The Governor, attended by the Committee, having withdrawn, the President and Members of the Senate repaired to their Chamber.

On motion, the House then adjourned until 10 o'clock, tomorrow morning.

THURSDAY, NOV 8th, 1855.

10 O'CLOCK, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Hill appeared, presented his credentials, was qualified, and took his seat as a Representative from the county of Troup.

On motion of Mr. Cottle, leave of absence was granted to Mr. Causey, of Kinchafoonee, for a few days, on account of the illness of his family.

On motion of Mr. Lewis, of Hancock, the following resolution was taken up and agreed to, to-wit :

Resolved by the Senate and House, That His Excellency the Governor be requested to inform the General Assembly whether, in his judgment, the duties and labors of the Surveyor General have not so far diminished by the completion of the granting of lands as to render the further continuance of the office unnecessary, and whether said office and its business might not, with benefit to the public interest, be transferred to the office of Secretary of State, by a slight increase of salary of the latter.

The following bill was taken up, read the second time, and ordered to be committed, to-wit :

A bill to be entitled an act for the pardon of Jacob Mercer of the county of Stewart, now under sentence of death for the crime of murder.

Upon motion of Mr. Burnett of Glynn, the following resolution was taken up and agreed to, to-wit :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Georgia in General Assembly met, That our Senators and Representatives in Congress be requested to have established by law a weekly mail route from Mount Pleasant in Glynn county, via Speightville and Elias Fort's, to Pendarvis' Store in Wayne county, and that His Excellency the Governor cause a copy of this resolution to be forwarded to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

On motion of Mr. Haynie, the rules were suspended, and the House proceeded to the call of counties, when

Mr. Brown, of Camden, reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Camden and Charlton, and for other purposes, which was read the first time.

Mr. Harris, of Dougherty, reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the drawing of grand and petit jurors of the county of Dougherty, which was read the first time.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the county of Dougherty to aid in constructing the Georgia and Florida Railroad between Albany and Americus, or any other railroad running to said county, by subscription to stock and the issue of bonds therefor, upon a vote of the citizens, which was read the first time.

Mr. Matthews, of Houston, reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize Abner Burnam of Houston county, as Guardian of James R. R. Haddock, to settle with and pay over to his ward his estate, and for other purposes therein named, which was read the first time.

The following message was received from the Senate by Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have passed a resolution

bringing on the election of an Attorney General for the Middle Circuit, a Solicitor General for the next ensuing four years for the following Circuits, to-wit: Chatahoochee, Cherokee, Eastern, Flint, Blue Ridge, Macon, Northern, Ocmulgee, Southern, Southwestern, and Western; also, the election of a Comptroller General, Surveyor General, Treasurer and Secretary of State, for the next ensuing two years, on Thursday, the 8th inst., at 10 o'clock, and ask the concurrence of the House in the same.

On motion of Mr. Crook, the resolution from the Senate, bringing on the election on this day of State House officers and certain Solicitor Generals therein mentioned, was taken up and concurred in, and the Clerk was directed to communicate the same forthwith to the Senate.

Mr. Harris, of Meriwether, reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Greenville Masonic Female Institute, located in the town of Greenville, and to confer powers on the same, which was read the first time.

Mr. Jones, of Muscogee, reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of James M. Mitchell of the county of Muscogee, which was read the first time.

Mr. Stamper, of Randolph, reported a bill to be entitled an act to create and lay off a new circuit to be called Pataula Circuit, to be composed of the counties of Early, Clay, Calhoun, Randolph, Stewart and Kinchafosnee, and to add the same to the Second Supreme Court Judicial District.

And also, a bill to be entitled an act to add lot of land number two hundred and eighty-four in the fourth district of formerly Early, now Calhoun county, to the county of Randolph, which was read the first time.

Mr. Warthen, of Washington, reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Washington county to revise their jury box, and for other purposes, which was read the first time.

Mr. Haynie, of Floyd, introduced the following resolution, which was agreed to, to-wit:

Resolved, That the Speaker of the House be authorized to appoint the usual standing Committees for the House.

Mr. Irvin, of Wilkes, introduced a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Mary W Gresham, formerly Mary W Triplett of Wilkes county, and to change the name of said Mary W Gresham to that of Mary W Triplett, which was read the first time.

Mr. Rumph, of Wayne, introduced a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the selection and permanent location of of a county site in the county of Wayne, to authorize the building of a new court-house and the levying of an extra tax, and for other purposes therein specified, which was read the first time.

On motion of Mr. Haynie, the Clerk was directed to in-

form the Senate that the House of Representatives are now ready to receive them in their Hal' for the purpose of proceeding to the election of an Attorney General for the Middle Circuit, Solicitor General for the next ensuing four years for the following Circuits, to-wit: Chattahoochee, Cherokee, Eastern, Flint, Blue Ridge, Macon, Northern, Ocmulgee, Southern, Southwestern and Western; also, the election of a Comptroller General, Surveyor General, Treasurer and Secretary of State, for the next ensuing two years; which duty having been performed, the President and Members of the Senate attended, and the General Assembly proceeded to the election of an Attorney General for the Middle Circuit, and on receiving and counting out the votes it appeared that William R. McLaws had been duly elected.

The Senate then withdrew to their Chamber, and, on motion of Mr. Terhune, the House adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY MORNING, NOV 9th, 1855.

10 O'CLOCK, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Headen, of Hall, moved to suspend the call of counties, and proceed with the unfinished business of yesterday, which was agreed to.

Mr. Matthews, of Houston, asked and obtained leave of absence, for a few days, on account of the indisposition of his family.

On motion, the Clerk was directed to inform the Senate that the House was now ready to receive them in their Chamber to proceed with the unfinished business of yesterday, to-wit, the election of certain officers; which duty being performed, the President and Members of the Senate attended, and the General Assembly proceeded to the election of a Solicitor General for the Chattahoochee Circuit, and upon receiving and counting out the ballots it appeared that Thaddeus Oliver, Esq., had received a majority of all the votes cast, and was declared duly elected for the next four years ensuing.

They then proceeded to the election of a Solicitor General for the Cherokee Circuit, and on counting out the ballots it appeared that James C. Longstreet, Esq., had received a majority of all the votes cast, and was declared duly elected for the next four years ensuing.

They then proceeded to the election of a Solicitor General for the Eastern Circuit, and on counting out the ballots it appeared that Julian Hartridge, Esq., had received a major-

ity of all the votes cast, and was declared duly elected for the next four years ensuing.

They then proceeded to the election of a Solicitor General for the Flint Circuit, and on counting out the ballots it appeared that James R. Lyons, Esq., had received a majority of all the votes cast, and was declared duly elected for the next four years ensuing.

The Senate then withdrew to their Chamber, and, on motion of Mr. Terhune, the House took a recess until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The following Message was received from the Senate by Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker:—The Senate have agreed to the following resolution, to which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to join such committee as may be appointed on the part of the House, to inquire what number of clerks are necessary to discharge the duties connected with the office of Secretary of the Senate, and what number are necessary to discharge the duties connected with the office of the Clerk of the House of Representatives; also, what will be a reasonable compensation for the Secretary of the Senate, his Assistant, and for each of the Clerks attached to his office, for their services, and that said committee report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Fields, the Clerk was directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives are now ready to receive them in their Chamber for the purpose of proceeding with the unfinished business of the morning, to-wit, the election of certain officers; which duty being performed, the President and Members of the Senate attended, and the General Assembly proceeded to the election of a Solicitor General for the Blue Ridge Circuit, and on counting out the ballots it appeared that William Phillips, Esq., had received a majority of all the votes cast, and was declared duly elected for the next four years ensuing.

They then proceeded to the election of a Solicitor General for the Macon Circuit, and on counting out the ballots it appeared that Theodore W. Montfort, Esq., had received a majority of the votes cast, and was declared duly elected for the next four years ensuing.

They then proceeded to the election of a Solicitor General for the Northern Circuit, and on counting out the ballots, it appeared that T. M. Daniel, Esq., had received a majority

of the votes cast, and was declared duly elected to that office for the next four years ensuing.

Mr. Brantly, of Meriwether, asked and obtained leave of absence, for a few days, on account of indisposition.

On motion of Mr. Jones, the House adjourned until tomorrow morning, 10 o'clock.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10th, 1855.

10 O'CLOCK, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion, the rules of the House were suspended, and Mr. Calloway, of Putnam, introduced the following bill, which was read the first time, to-wit:

An act for the relief of James Wright, jr., Jefferson Wright and others, securities of Stephen Wright, formerly Tax Collector of Putnam county, from the payment of twenty per centum interest per annum on an execution issued by the Comptroller General of this State against the said Stephen Wright, Tax Collector as aforesaid, and said James Wright, jr., and others, securities of the same, on the first day of October, 1855, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Davis, of Bibb, asked and obtained leave of absence until Tuesday morning next, on account of the illness of his family.

On motion, the Clerk was directed to inform the Senate that the House are now ready to receive them in their Chamber to proceed with the unfinished business of yesterday, to-wit, the election of certain Solicitor Generals and State House officers.

On motion, the rules were again suspended, and Mr. Lawton, of Chatham, introduced the following bill, to-wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to increase the salaries of the Judges of the Supreme Court, which was read the first time.

Mr. Jones, of Lowndes, reported a bill to be entitled an act to create a new Judicial Circuit, and to provide for the appointment and election of a Judge and Solicitor General for the same, which was read the first time.

The President and Members of the Senate then convened in the House, and the General Assembly proceeded to ballot for a Solicitor General of the Ocmulgee Circuit, and on counting out the ballots it appeared that W. A. Lofton, Esq., had received a majority of all the votes given in, and was declared duly elected for the next four years ensuing.

They then proceeded to the election of a Solicitor General for the Southern Circuit, and on counting out the ballots it appeared that E. T. Sheffall, Esq., had received a majority

of all the votes given in, and was declared duly elected for the next four years ensuing.

They then proceeded to the election of a Solicitor General for the Southwestern Circuit, and on counting out the ballots it appeared that J. W. Evans, Esq., had received a majority of all the votes given in, and was declared duly elected for the next four years ensuing.

They then proceeded to the election of a Solicitor General for the Western Circuit, and on counting out the ballots it appeared that S. Thurmond, Esq., had received a majority of all the votes given in, and was declared duly elected to that office for the next four years ensuing.

On motion, the Senate then retired to their Chamber.

Mr. McClellan asked and obtained leave of absence for a few days on special business.

On motion of Mr. Wood, of Fannin, the House then adjourned until half past 3 o'clock, this afternoon.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Crook, of Chattooga, moved to suspend the rules for the purpose of introducing the following resolution, to-wit :

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to compare the manuscript with the printed copy of the testimony and other proceedings in the case of the State versus Jacob Mercer, who has been convicted of the crime of murder in Stewart Superior Court; which was agreed to, and the Speaker appointed the following committee, to-wit : Messrs. Crook of Chattooga, Wimberly of Stewart, Terhune of Floyd.

Mr. Crook, of Chattooga, moved to suspend the rules generally, for the purpose of introducing bills, which was agreed to.

Mr. Crook, of Chattooga, introduced a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to the several counties therein named, which was read the first time.

Mr. Jones, of Muscogee, reported a bill to improve the laws of evidence so as to allow parties in interest to testify, and for other purposes, which was read the first time.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to provide for garnishment in certain cases, and for other purposes, which was read the first time.

Mr. Richards reported a bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county of the county of Carroll, and portions of the counties of Paulding and Campbell, and to organize the same, which was read the first time.

Mr. Pickett, of Gilmer, reported the following bill, to-wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to create and establish a gener-

al school system, to create a fund for the same, to lay off the State into school districts, and to repeal the poor school law, and for other purposes therein named, which was read the first time.

Mr. Harris, of Meriwether, reported a bill to change the line between the counties of Talbot and Meriwether, which was read the first time.

Mr. Smith, of Clinch, reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Coffee and Clinch, which was read the first time.

Mr. Johnson, of Carroll, reported a bill to be entitled an act to lay out a new county out of the counties of Polk and Carroll, and to organize the same, which was read the first time.

Mr. Lawton, of Chatham, reported a bill to be entitled an act to provide a correct registry of deaths occurring in the city of Savannah, and of interments in said city and its vicinity, and for other purposes, which was read the first time.

Mr. Burnett, of Glynn, reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Frances Powsell, an infirm and indigent person, which was read the first time.

Mr. King, of McIntosh, reported a bill to be entitled an act to define a portion of the boundary line between the counties of McIntosh and Liberty, which was read the first time.

Mr. Peterson reported a bill to change the name of Jordan S. Yeoman of the county of Montgomery, to that of Jordan S. Phillips, and to legitimize the same, which was read the first time.

Mr. Dorminy reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the name of Emily Akins of Irwin county, Georgia, to that of Emily Curry, which was read the first time.

On motion of Mr. Haynie, the House then adjourned until 10 o'clock, Monday morning.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12th, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Cottle of Sumter and Mr. Bartlett of Lee, on account of the sickness of their families ; also, to Mr. Jones of Muscogee, for a few days, on account of special business.

Mr. Ward, of Butts, reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorise the Justices of the Inferior Courts of the several counties of this State, upon the recommendation of the grand juries thereof, to assess and collect a tax for the payment of grand and petit jurors, or grand or petit jurors, and at their

pleasure to discontinue and again to reassess the same upon said recommendation ;

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Ocmulgee Mills, which were read the first time.

Mr. McConnell, of Catoosa, reported a bill to be entitled an act to appoint a guardian for the minor children of Seaborn A. Hinton, to authorize the sale of certain lands, and for other purposes therein specified ;

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to prevent droves of neat cattle from being driven through the county of Catoosa for speculation purposes ; read the first time.

On motion of Mr. Haynie of Floyd, the regular order was suspended for the purpose of resuming the unfinished business of Saturday, and the Clerk directed to inform the Senate that the House was now ready to proceed to the election of State House officers.

The regular order was temporarily resumed, when the following bills were introduced and read the first time, viz :

Mr. Crook, of Chattooga, reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the name and legitimize William Standifer Hicks of the county of Chattooga.

Mr. Terhune, of Floyd, reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank in the city of Rome to be called the Empire State.

The President and Members of the Senate were then received, and the General Assembly proceeded to the election first of Comptroller General. Upon counting the ballots it appeared that Peterson Thweatt, of the county of Muscogee, had received a majority of all the votes given in, and was therefore declared duly elected to said office for the two years next ensuing.

The election of Surveyor General being next in order, the General Assembly proceeded to ballot therefor, whereupon James A. Green, of the county of Floyd, received a majority of the votes given in, and was declared duly elected Surveyor General for the next ensuing term.

The balloting then took place for Treasurer. Mr. John B. Trippe, of the county of Baldwin, received a majority of the votes given in, and was announced duly elected Treasurer for the ensuing term.

The General Assembly proceeded next to the election of Secretary of State, which resulted in Mr. E. P. Watkins, of the county of Baldwin, receiving a majority of all the votes given in, and his being declared duly elected Secretary of State for the term next ensuing.

On motion of Mr. Cone of Bulloch, the Senate retired to their Chamber, when the House resumed the regular order, and the following bills, having been presented, were read the first time, viz :

Mr. Harris, of Fulton, reported a bill to be entitled an act

for the relief of Samuel Walker of the county of Fulton;

Also a bill to be entitled an act to endow the Atlanta Medical College;

Also a bill to be entitled an act to confer certain powers on the executors of John McMaster, deceased.

Mr. Lewis, of Greene, offered a bill to be entitled an act to amend the seventh section and second article of the Constitution, so as to define and restrict the pardoning power of the Legislature.

Mr. Phillips, of Habersham, offered a bill to be entitled an act to provide for the survey of the sixth district of Habersham county;

Also a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Treasurer to make certain advances.

Mr. Hughes, of Liberty, reported a bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to reduce the fees of the several tax collectors hereafter to be elected for the county of Liberty, and for other purposes therein named.

Mr. Boyd, of Lumpkin, reported a bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the several judiciary acts now in force in this State, so far as relates to justices' courts, approved Dec. 14th, 1811, so as to allow and authorize the same person to hold the two offices of the Clerk of the Inferior Court and Justice of the Peace at the same time, in the county of Lumpkin;

Also a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Tax Collector of the county of Lumpkin to pay over to the County Treasurer of said county the State tax collected by him for the year 1856.

Mr. Felton, of Macon, offered a bill to be entitled an act to submit the question of the removal of the court-house of Macon county to the people thereof, &c.

Mr. Faulk, of Twiggs, reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize Uriah Evins of Twiggs county to peddle without license.

Mr. Graybill reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Washington county to levy and collect an extra tax for the purposes therein named.

A bill from the office of Secretary of State, passed at the last session of the General Assembly, to be entitled an act to alter and amend the third section of the third article of the Constitution of the State of Georgia by striking out the following words, to-wit, "appointed by the Legislature," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, to-wit, "elected by the person entitled to vote for members of the Legislature at such times and in such manner as the Legislature shall or may by law direct, and to add an additional section to the first article of the Constitution.

Mr. Phillips, of Habersham, moved that the House take up the documents accompanying the Governor's Message.

The motion was sustained, and on motion of Mr. Thornton of Muscogee, the following gentlemen were appointed a committee to examine said documents and report such as are necessary to be printed, viz: Messrs. Thornton, Phillips, Lawton, Johnson of Cass, and Ward.

The following message was received from His Excellency the Governor, by Mr. Briscoe, his Secretary :

Mr. Speaker:—I am directed by the Governor to lay before this branch of the General Assembly a communication in writing:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
MILLEDGEVILLE, GEORGIA. }

To the House of Representatives :

At the last term of Baldwin Superior Court, a final judgment upon the appeal was recovered in favor of A. P. Rood, Adm'r of Blanche G. Gibson, against the Central Bank for nine thousand four hundred and seventy dollars, with interest from the fifth of October last until paid, and costs of suit.

It is no doubt a just debt and ought to be paid. There are no funds in the Treasury, or in the hands of the Treasurer, belonging to the Central Bank proper, that can be applied to the payment of this judgment, nor is there likely to be for some time to come. The judgment, therefore, cannot be paid without an appropriation by the Legislature. I therefore respectfully recommend the passage of a joint resolution appropriating money from the Treasury to pay the aforesaid judgment. HERSCHEL V JOHNSON.

Mr. Thornton, of Muscogee, offered, in connection with said message, a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor to draw his warrant on the Treasury for the payment of a judgment in favor of the Adm'r of the estate of Mrs. Blanche Gibson versus the Central Bank of Georgia, which was read the first time.

The bill to be entitled an act for the pardon of Jacob Mercer of the county of Stewart, now under sentence of death for the crime of murder, was read the third time, and on motion of Mr. Crook of Chattooga, made the special order for Wednesday, 14th Nov. 1855.

Mr. Lawton, of Chatham, offered the following resolution, which was agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That the reasons given by his Excellency the Governor for respiting the sentence of Jacob Mercer, and entered in a book kept for that purpose, be printed for the use of the House.

The following bills were read the second time and ordered to be committed :

A bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Camden and Charlton, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the drawing of grand and petit jurors for the county of Dougherty.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the county of Dougherty to aid in constructing the Georgia and Florida Railroad between Albany and Americus, or any other railroad running to said county, by subscription for stock and the issue of bonds therefor, upon a vote of the citizens.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Abner Burman of Houston county, as Guardian of R. R. Haddock, to settle with and pay over to his ward his estate, and for other purposes therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Greenville Masonic Female Institute, located in the town of Greenville, and to confer powers on the same.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of James M. Mitchell of the county of Muscogee.

A bill to be entitled an act to create and lay off a new circuit to be composed of the counties of Early, Clay, Calhoun, Randolph, Stewart and Kinchafoonee, and to add the same to the Second Supreme Court Judicial Circuit.

A bill to be entitled an act to add lot of land number two hundred and eighty-four in the fourth District of formerly Early, now Calhoun county, to the county of Randolph.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Washington county to revise their jury box, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Mary W Gresham, formerly Mary W Triplett of Wilkes county, and to change the name of said Mary W Gresham to that of Mary W Triplett.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the selection and permanent location of a county site in the county of Wayne, to authorize the building of a new court-house, and the levying of an extra tax, and for other purposes therein specified.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of James Wright, jr., Jefferson Wright and others, securities of Stephen Wright formerly Tax Collector of Putnam county, from the payment of twenty per centum interest per annum on an execution issued by the Comptroller General of this State against the said Stephen Wright, Tax Collector as aforesaid, and said James Wright, jr., and other securities of the same, on the first day of October, 1855, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to create a new Judicial Circuit and to provide for the appointment and election of a Judge and Solicitor General for the same.

On motion of Mr. Irvtn, the same was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act to increase the salaries of the Judges of the Supreme Court.

On motion, the same was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to the several counties therein named.

On motion of Mr. Crook, the same was referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to be entitled an act to improve the laws of evidence so as to allow parties in interest to testify.

On motion of Mr. Thornton, it was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for garnishment in certain cases, and for other purposes.

This bill was committed, and on motion of Mr. Irvin of Wilkes, one hundred and fifty copies thereof ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

A bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county of the county of Carroll, and portions of the counties of Paulding and Campbell, and to organize the same.

On motion of Mr. Watts of Campbell, this bill, together with all of a similar nature, was referred to a committee of seven on new counties, to be appointed by the Speaker.

A bill to be entitled an act to create and establish a general school system, to create a fund for the same, to lay off the State into school districts, and to repeal the poor school laws, and for other purposes therein named.

The same, on motion of Mr. Pickett, was referred to a committee consisting of one from each Congressional District, and one hundred and fifty copies thereof ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. Thornton, the House adjourned until 10 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13th, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker announced the following Standing Committees, viz:

On Banks—Lewis of Hancock, Irvin, Phinizy, Lawton, Williams, Kirkpatrick, Owen, Harris of Dougherty, Harris of Fulton, Stamper, Calloway, Dozier, and Johnson of Elbert.

On Finance—Phillips, Jones of Warren, Harris of Meriwether, Brown of Camden, Haynie, Lewis of Green, Harrison, Taylor, Carlton, McLean, Cannon, Smith of Hancock, Fields, Durden and Watts.

On Public Education—Thornton, Ward, Lewis of Hancock, Warthen, Johnson of Cass, Pickett, Harris of Meriwether, Haynie, Anderson, Guyton, Porter, Jones of Warren, Sapp, Murphy and Wimberley.

On Manufactures—Dawson, Henderson, Reid, Felton,

Maynor, Carter, Hudson of Harris, Brown of Burke, Watts, Lowe, Julian, Whitworth, Sharmon and Dorminy.

State of the Republic—Crook, Irvin, Jones of Muscogee, Lawton, Lewis of Hancock, Harrison, Smith of Union, Dawson, Jones of Lowndes, Bartlett, Caldwell of Walker, Barron, Solomon, Ward and Headen.

On the Judiciary—Irvin, Lawton, Thornton, Terhune, Harris of Meriwether, Caldwell of Pike, Dawson, Sharpe, Stamper, Milledge, Henderson, McConnell of Catoosa and Johnson of Elbert.

On Military Affairs—Milledge, Irvin, Phillips, Jones of Muscogee, Bradford, Carlton, Hughes, Brown of Burke, Johnson of Cass, King of McIntosh, Hilliard, Parris and Richards.

On Enrolment—Terhune, Fields, Smith of Bryan, Humph, Hoyle, Walton, Pruitt, Graham, Graybill, Mobley, Wood, Smith of Tattnall, and Johnson of Carroll.

On Petitions—Pickett, McConnell, Johnson of Henry, Park, Slocumb, Harrell, Smith of Clinch, Singersfield, Spinks, Gordon of Harris, Powell, Beall, Shipp, Thompson, Peterson, Cornwell and Tatum.

On Journals—Fields, Smith of Union, Hudson of Gwinnett, Butts, Faulk, Taylor, Roberts, Burnett, Lane, King of Fayette, Battle, Edenfield, Swearingin, and McConnell of Catoosa.

Agriculture and Internal Improvements—Lawton, Crook, Lewis of Hancock, Browning, Harris of Dougherty, Milledge, Hughes, Burnett, Jones of Muscogee, Graves, Headen, Sapp, Porter, Battle, and Caldwell of Pike.

On Penitentiary—Smith of Union, Rozier, Causey, Kilgore, Simmons, and Davis of Bibb.

On Lunatic Asylum—Barron, Phillips, Thornton, Lawton, Hoyle, Guyton, Carter, Boyd, Barton, Smith of Tattnall, Cooper, Cunningham, Boykin of Troup, McClary, and Bird of Madison.

On Deaf and Dumb Asylum—Johnson of Cass, Haynie, Myers, Boykin of Troup, Calloway, Caldwell of Walker, Matthews, Wiggins, Luke, Cottle, Davis of Polk, Amiss, Reid of Putnam, McCants and Hale.

On Public Printing—Ward, Pickett, Walton, Griffith, Pofford, Brantly, Murphey, Daniel, Stephens, Wynne, Boykin of Scriven, Johnson of Carroll, Cobb, Brown of Talbot, Avery Montgomery, Moore, McClelland, Hill, Kitchens, Wood, and King of Fayette.

Special Committee under resolution of the House on New Counties—Watts, Richards, Davis of Polk, Burnett, Witherly, Phinizy, and Jones of Lowndes.

Special Committee of one from each Congressional District—Pickett, Guyton, Thornton, Ward, Hoyle, Phillips, Milledge and Barron.

The House took up the report of the committee upon the bill to be entitled an act to alter and change the line dividing the counties of Camden and Charlton, and to appoint Commissioners to run the same. The report was agreed to, when the bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee upon the bill to be entitled an act to authorize and require the drawing of grand and petit jurors for the county of Dougherty. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the county of Dougherty to aid in constructing the Georgia and Florida Railroad between Albany and Americus, or any other railroad running to said county, by subscription for stock and the issue of bonds therefor, upon a vote of citizens.

Mr. Ward offered the following amendment, which was accepted :

“Provided that nothing in the foregoing sections of this act shall be so construed as to pledge or appropriate any portion of the State tax to be raised in said county for the payment of interest on, or redemption of said bonds.”

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize Abner Burman of Houston county, as Guardian of James R. R. Haddock, minor of William Haddock, deceased, to settle with his ward, and to make said James R. R. Haddock, competent to contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, and do all other lawful acts which an adult may of right do. The same was read, and on motion of Mr. Lawton, referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The House took up the report of the committee upon the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Greenville Masonic Female Institute, located in Greenville, Georgia, and to confer powers on the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee upon the bill to be entitled an act to create and lay off a new Circuit, to be called Pataula Circuit, to be composed of the counties of Early, Clay, Calhoun, Randolph, Stewart and Kinchafoonee, and to add the same to the Second Supreme Court Judicial District. The same having been read was, on motion of Mr. Lawton of Chatham, referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The House took up the report of the committee upon the bill to be entitled an act to add lot of land number two hundred and eighty-four in the fourth district of formerly Early, now Calhoun county, to the county of Randolph. The same

was read, and, on motion of Mr. Irvin of Wilkes, was referred, together with all similar bills, to a special committee of five, consisting of Messrs. Terhune, Jones of Warren, Warthen, Pickett, and McConnell of Catoosa.

The House then took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Interior Court of Washington county to revise their jury box, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House then took up the report of the committee upon the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Mary W Gresham, formerly Mary W Triplett of Wilkes county, and to change the name of said Mary W Gresham to that of Mary W Triplett. The report was agreed to, when the bill was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Rumph, of Wayne, offered as a substitute for the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the selection and permanent location of a county site in the county of Wayne, to authorize the building of a new court-house, and the levying of an extra tax, and for other purposes therein specified—

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the selection and permanent location of a county site in the county of Wayne, and to authorize the building of a new court-house and the levying of an extra tax, and for other purposes therein specified. The House took up the report of the committee on said substitute, which was adopted. The report was agreed to, and the bill having been read the third time was passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of James Wright, jr., Jefferson Wright and others, securities of Stephen Wright, formerly Tax Collector of Putnam county, from the payment of twenty per centum interest per annum on an execution issued by the Comptroller General of this State against the said Stephen Wright, Tax Collector as aforesaid, and said James Wright, jr., and others, securities of the same, on the first day of October, 1855, and for other purposes therein mentioned. The same was read, and on motion referred to the Committee on Finance.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Smith of Bryan for a few days on account of ill health.

On motion of Mr. Rumph, one hundred and fifty copies of the Standing Committees of the House were ordered to be printed.

The report of the committee appointed to compare the printed with the manuscript testimony and certificates in the case of the State against Jacob Mercer, was received through Mr Crook, Chairman, and laid on the table.

The following bills were read the second time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Talbot and Meriwether. This bill was, on

motion, referred to the special committee appointed for the consideration of bills of this nature.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Coffee and Clinch.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to lay out a new county out of the counties of Polk and Carroll, and to organize the same, was read the second time, and referred to the Committee on new counties.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide a correct registry of deaths occurring in the city of Savannah, and of interments in said city and its vicinity, and for other purposes, was read the second time.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Frances Ponsell, an infirm and indigent person, was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A bill to be entitled an act to define a portion of the boundary line between the counties of McIntosh and Liberty, was read the second time.

Mr. Dawson moved its reference to the special committee for the purpose of examining and consolidating bills of this character. The motion was lost, and the bill was committed for a third reading.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the name of Jordan S. Yeoman of the county of Montgomery, to that of Jordan S. Phillips, and to legitimize the same, was read the second time.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to change the name of Emily Akins to that of Emily Curry, of Irwin county, Georgia.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to authorise the Justices of the Inferior Court of the severai counties of this State, upon the recommendation of the grand juries thereof, to assess and collect a tax for the payment of grand and petit jurors, or grand or petit jurors, and at their pleasure to discontinue and again to reassess the same upon the said recommendation.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Ocmulgee Mills.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to appoint a guardian of the minor children of Seaborn A. Hinton of Catoosa county, and to authorize the sale of certain real estate, and for other purposes specified.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to prevent droves of neat cattle from being driven through the county of Catoosa for speculative purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to change the name and legitimize William Standifer Hicks of the county of Chattooga.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank in the city of Rome, State of Georgia, to be called the Empire

State, was read the second time, and on motion of Mr. Terhune, of Floyd, referred to the committee on Banks.

The following bills were read the second time and committed, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate one hundred dollars to be refunded to Samuel Walker of Fulton county, who paid that amount over and above his lawful tax to the State in 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act to endow the Atlanta Medical College at Atlanta, Georgia ; and

A bill to be entitled an act to empower John McMaster, William W Roark and Robert J. McMaster, Executors of the last will and testament of John McMaster, jr., deceased, to sell such portions of the east half of lot of land number one hundred and nine, in the fourteen'h district of originally Henry, now Fulton county, on the premises, as may be necessary to pay the debts of said deceased ; also to empower the same to sell lots of land number two hundred and twenty-eight, in the thirteenth district and fourth section of originally Cherokee, now Walker county, and number one hundred and thirty-eight, second section, of originally Cherokee, now Gilmer county, at the Court-house in the county of Fulton.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the seventh section of the second article of the Constitution, so as to define and restrict the pardoning power, was read the second time, and on motion of Mr. Lewis, referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the survey of the sixth district of Habersham county.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the State Treasurer to make certain advances, was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to reduce the fees of the several tax collectors hereafter to be elected for the county of Liberty, and for other purposes therein named., assented to December 21st, 1853, ; and

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act to alter and amend the several judiciary acts now in force in this State, so far as relates to justices' courts, approved Dec. 14th, 1811, so as to allow and authorize the same person to hold the two offices of the Clerk of the Inferior Court and Justice of the Peace at the same time, in the county of Lumpkin, were read the second time.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Tax Collector of the county of Lumpkin to pay over to the County Treasurer of said county the State tax collected by him for the year 1856, was read the second time, and on motion referred to the Committee on Finance.

The following bills were then read the second time and committed, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to submit the question of the removal of the court-house of Macon county to the people thereof, and the place of its location, and in case they elect to remove it, to authorize the Justices of the Interior Court to sell the Court-house and property of the county appertaining thereto; to negotiate for the site that may be elected, and levy an extra tax for the building of a new Court-house.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize and empower Uriah Evins of Twiggs county to peddle in the county of Twiggs and elsewhere, without license.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Washington county to levy and collect an extra tax for the building of a Court-house and Jail in said county.

A bill from the office of Secretary of State, to be entitled an act to alter and amend the third section of the third article of the Constitution of the State of Georgia by striking out the following words, to-wit, "appointed by the Legislature," and inserting in lieu thereof the words following, to-wit, "elected by the persons entitled to vote for members of the Legislature at such times and in such manner as the Legislature shall or may by law direct, and to add an additional section to the first article of the Constitution; and

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize and direct His Excellency the Governor of Georgia to draw his warrant on any funds in the State Treasury for the payment of the principal, interest and costs of a judgment in Baldwin Superior Court in favor of A. P. Rood, Adm'r of Mrs. Blanche Gibson versus the Central Bank of Georgia.

Mr. Irvin, of Wilkes, offered the following resolution, which was agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That in addition to the present Standing Committees of the House, another Committee, to be called the Committee on Consolidation, be appointed by the Speaker, whose duty shall be to consider all such bills as can be conveniently and consistently passed together, and that all such bills as are capable of being so consolidated be referred to said Committee.

The following message was received from His Excellency the Governor, through his Secretary, Mr. DeGraffenreid, and on motion of Mr. Crook of Chattooga, was taken up and read:

Mr. Speaker:—I am directed by the Governor to lay before the House of Representatives a communication in writing with accompanying documents:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }

MILLEDGEVILLE, GEORGIA, NOV. 13, 1855. }

In reply to a resolution of the House of Representatives, calling for the reasons on which I resented the sentence against Jacob Mercer, I have the honor herewith to transmit the Executive order in obedience to which, his execu-

tion was postponed until the 23d day of the present month, together with copies of the affidavits on which said order was predicated.

HERSCHEL V JOHNSON.

On motion of Mr. Crook, the House adjourned until 10 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14th, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Committee on the Judiciary, through their Chairman, Mr. Irvin, made the following reports, viz :

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred a bill to be entitled an act to authorize Abner Burman of Houston county, as Guardian of James R. R. Haddock, to settle with and pay over to his ward his estate, and for other purposes, have had the same under consideration, and ask leave to report it back to the House, and recommend its passage with a proviso to the 1st section.

Also, the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill to be entitled an act to increase the salaries of the Judges of the Supreme Court, and the bill to amend the 7th section, 2d article of the Constitution so as to define and restrict the pardoning power of the Legislature, have had the same under consideration, and herewith report them to the House, without amendments, and recommend their passage.

The Committee to whom was referred the documents accompanying the Governor's Message, made the following report through their Chairman, Mr. Thornton, which, on motion of Mr. Irvin of Wilkes, was taken up and agreed to, viz :

The Committee to whom was referred the documents accompanying the Governor's Message, and report upon the propriety of printing the same, beg leave to report and recommend the printing of 150 copies of the Report of the Commissioners on the enlargement of the Lunatic Asylum, 150 copies of the Treasurer's Report, 150 copies Principal Keeper of the Penitentiary's Report, 150 copies of the Comptroller General's Report, 150 copies of Report of the Academy for the Blind, 150 copies of the Report of the Academy of the Deaf and Dumb.

The following Message was received from the Senate by Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker :—I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have agreed to a resolution, setting apart Tuesday, the 20th instant, for the election of a Director of the Bank of the State and a Judge of the

Supreme Court, in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The bill to be entitled an act for the pardon of Jacob Mercer of the county of Stewart, now under sentence of death for the crime of murder, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. Walton of Stewart, made the special order for Tuesday next.

Mr. Irvin moved to suspend the call of counties in order to take up the several reports of the Judiciary Committee, which was sustained, and the House took up the report of said Committee on the bill to be entitled an act to increase the salaries of the Judges of the Supreme Court.

Mr. Lewis moved to strike out "four thousand," which was sustained.

Mr. Terhune moved to insert in lieu thereof, "thirty-eight hundred," which was lost.

Mr. Lewis moved to insert "thirty-five hundred," which was also lost.

On motion of Mr. Dawson to insert "three thousand," the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 91, nays 37.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Graves,	Maynor,
Barton,	Graybill,	McCants,
Bartlett,	Griffith,	McConnel of Catsosa
Battle,	Hale,	Milledge,
Bird,	Harris of Dougherty	Mobley,
Boykin of Scriven,	Haynie,	Moore,
Boykin of Troup,	Henderson,	Murphey,
Bradford,	Hill,	Myers,
Brantley,	Hilliard,	Paris,
Brown of Camden,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Peterson,
Brown of Talbot,	Hudson of Harris,	Phillips,
Browning,	Hughes,	Phinizy,
Burnett,	Irwin,	Pofford,
Butts,	Johnson of Carroll,	Porter,
Caldwell of Pike,	Johnson of Cass,	Powell,
Carlton,	Johnson of Elbert,	Reid,
Causey,	Jones of Lowndes,	Richards,
Cooper,	Kilgore,	Rozier,
Cottle,	King of Fayette,	Slocumb,
Crook,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Hancock,
Davis of Bibb,	Lane,	Smith of Tattnall,
Dawson,	Lawton,	Smith of Union,
Durden,	Lewis of Greene,	Spinks,
Edenfield,	Lewis of Hancock,	Stamper,
Felton,	Lowe,	Stephens,
Gordon,	Luke,	Tatom,
Guyton,	Matthews,	Terhune,

Tharpe,	Ward,	Williams,
Thompson,	Warthen,	Winberly,
Thornton,	Wiggins,	Wynn.
Wood,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Faulk,	Owen,
Avery,	Fields,	Parks,
Barron,	Graham,	Pickett,
Beall,	Harrell,	Pruitt,
Boyd,	Headen,	Roberts,
Brown of Burke,	Hoyle,	Rumph,
Caldwell of Walker,	Jones of Warren,	Sharman,
Cannon,	Julian,	Simmons.
Cunningham,	Kitchens,	Smith of Clinch,
Daniel,	McClary,	Swearingen,
Davis of Polk,	McConnel of Gold'n	Taylor,
Dorminy,	McLean,	Watts,
Dozier,	Montgomery,	Whitworth.

So the motion to insert three thousand was agreed to.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question, Shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 92, nays 41.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Felton,	King of McIntosh,
Barrett,	Gordon,	Kirkpatrick,
Barton,	Guyton,	Lane,
Battle,	Graves,	Lawton,
Bird,	Graybill,	Lewis of Greene,
Boykin of Scriven,	Griffith,	Lewis of Hancock,
Bradford,	Harris of Dougherty	Lowe,
Brantley,	Harris of Fulton,	Matthews,
Brown of Talbot,	Harris of Meriwether	Maynor,
Browning,	Haynie,	McCants,
Burnett,	Henderson,	McConnel of Catosa
Butts,	Hill,	Milledge,
Caldwell of Pike,	Hilliard,	Mobley,
Carlton,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Moore,
Causey,	Hudson of Harris	Murphey,
Cobb,	Hughes,	Myers,
Cooper,	Irwin,	Paris,
Coruwell,	Johnson of Carrell,	Peterson,
Cottle,	Johnson of Cass,	Phillips,
Crook,	Johnson of Elbert,	Phinizy,
Davis of Bibb,	Johnson of Henry,	Pofford,
Dawson,	Jones of Lowndes,	Porter,
Durden,	Kilgore,	Powell,
Edenfield,	King of Fayette,	Reid,

Richards,	Tatom,	Ward,
Rozier,	Terhune,	Warthen,
Smith of Hancock.	Tharpe,	Wiggins,
Smith of Tattnall,	Thompson,	Williams,
Smith of Union,	Thornton,	Wimberly,
Spinks,	Wood,	Wynn.
Stephens,	Walton,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Fields,	Owen,
Avery,	Graham,	Parks.
Beall,	Hale,	Pickett,
Boyd,	Harrell,	Pruitt,
Brown of Burke,	Harrison,	Roberts,
Caldwell of Walker	Headen,	Rumph,
Calloway,	Hoyle,	Sharman,
Cannon,	Jones of Warren,	Shipp,
Cunningham,	Julian,	Simmons,
Daniel,	Kitchens,	Smith of Clinch,
Davis of Polk,	McClary,	Swearingen,
Dorminy,	McConnel of Gord'n	Taylor,
Dozier,	McLean,	Watts,
Faulk,	Montgomery,	Whitworth.

So the bill was passed under the title thereof.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, the Clerk was directed to transmit the said bill to the Senate.

The House then took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the 7th section of the 2d article of the Constitution, so as to define and restrict the pardoning power of the Legislature.

The report was agreed to, and on the question, Shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays being recorded, there were yeas 67, nays 71.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Causey,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,
Amiss,	Cooper,	Hughes,
Avery,	Crook,	Irvin,
Barron,	Cunningham,	Johnson of Carroll.
Bartlett,	Daniel,	Johnson of Elbert,
Beall,	Dozier,	Jones of Lowudes,
Boyd,	Edenfield,	Lawton,
Boykin of Scriven,	Felton,	Lewis of Greene,
Bradford,	Guyton,	Lewis of Hancock,
Brantley,	Graves,	Luke,
Brown of Camden,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	McClary,
Browning,	Haynie,	McConnel of Catosa
Butts,	Henderson,	McLean,
Caldwell of Pike,	Hilliard,	Milledge,
Carlton,	Hoyle,	Mobley,

Montgomery,	Richards,	Thornton,
Murphy,	Smith of Clinch,	Wood,
Parks,	Smith of Hancock,	Walton,
Paris,	Smith of Tattnall,	Watts,
Peterson,	Stephens,	Whitworth,
Pickett,	Terhune,	Williams,
Pofford,	Thompson,	Wynn.
Porter,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barton,	Harrell,	Phinzy,
Battle,	Harris of Dougherty,	Powell,
Bird,	Harris of Fulton,	Pruitt,
Boykin of Troup,	Harrison,	Reid,
Brown of Burke,	Headen,	Roberts,
Brown of Talbot,	Hill,	Rozier,
Burnett,	Hudson of Harris,	Rumph,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Cass,	Sharman,
Cannon,	Julian,	Shipp,
Cobb,	Kilgore,	Simmons,
Cornwell,	King of Fayette,	Sinquefield,
Cottle,	King of McIntosh,	Slocumb,
Davis of Bibb,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Union,
Davis of Polk,	Kitchens,	Spinks,
Dawson,	Lane,	Stamper,
Dorminy,	Lowe,	Swearingen,
Durden,	Matthews,	Tatom,
Faulk,	Maynor,	Taylor,
Fields,	McCants,	Tharpe,
Gordon,	McConnel of Gord'n	Ward,
Graham,	Moore,	Warthen,
Graybill,	Myers,	Wiggins,
Griffith,	Owen,	Wimberley.
Hale,	Phillips,	

So the bill was lost.

The House then took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize Abner Burman of Houston county, as Guardian of James R. R. Haddock, minor of William Haddock, deceased, to settle with his ward, and to make said James R. R. Haddock competent to contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, and to do all other lawful acts which an adult may of right do.

A proviso reported by the Judiciary Committee was agreed to. The bill as amended was read the third time, and passed under the title thereof.

On motion of Mr. Phillips of Habersham, the House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Treasurer to make certain advances. By consent of the House, Mr. Phillips moved to strike out that portion of said bill that authorized advances to the

Clerks, which motion was sustained. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed, and on motion of Mr. Phillips of Habersham, ordered to be transmitted to the Senate.

Mr. Fields, of Cherokee, moved to agree to the Senate resolution bringing on the election of a Director of the Bank of the State of Georgia and a Judge of the Supreme Court. The motion was lost.

The call of counties was resumed, and the following bills having been reported, were read the first time, viz :

Mr. Mobley reported a bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act approved 7th Feb. 1854, to compensate the grand and petit jurors of Appling and Irwin counties, or so much thereof as relates to the county of Appling.

Mr. Davis, of Bibb, reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the name of John Hollingsworth of the county of Twiggs, to that of John McGough, and legitimatize the same.

Mr. McConnell, of Catoosa, reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the village of Ringgold in Walker, now Catoosa county, approved Dec. 27th, 1847, to define the boundary of said incorporation, and to confer certain powers upon the Commissioners of said village.

Mr. Lawton, of Chatham, reported a bill to be entitled an act to establish and incorporate a Medical College in the city of Savannah, to be called the Oglethorpe Medical College.

Mr. Powell reported a bill to be entitled an act to compensate the grand and petit jurors of the county of Decatur.

Mr. Hoyle reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the times of holding the Inferior Court in the county of DeKalb, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Terhune, of Floyd, reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John W. Carlton of the county of Fulton, who received serious injury whilst in the employment of the State.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the name of Josaphine Deas and Pinckney Deas, and to legitimatize the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to relieve William R. Higginbotham, a free man of color of the county of Floyd, from certain liabilities, and for other purposes.

Mr. Terhune also presented a memorial relative to the Western and Atlantic Railroad, one hundred and fifty copies of which, without being read, were, on his motion, ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Edenfield reported a bill to be entitled an act to repeal the 3d section of an act entitled an act to make permanent the site of the public buildings in the county of Emanuel at the town of Swainsboro', and to incorporate and ap-

point Commissioners for the same, and to change the name of Swainsboro to that of Paris, approved February 18th, 1854.

Mr. Harris reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to revise and amend the judiciary system of this State, and to enable suitors in the Superior and Inferior Courts of this State to obtain judgment in certain cases at the first Term of such Court.

Mr. Pruitt offered a bill to be entitled an act to divide and lay out a new county from the county of Franklin, and to provide for the organization of the same.

Mr. Pickett reported a bill to be entitled an act to encourage internal improvement in the State of Georgia.

On motion of Mr. Terbune of Floyd, one hundred and fifty copies of this bill were ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Pickett also reported a bill to be entitled an act to add a part of originally Union county to the county of Gilmer.

Mr. Burnett introduced a bill to be entitled an act to amend the road laws of this State, so far as relates to the county of Glynn.

Mr. Whitworth reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Gwinnett to levy an extra tax for the erection of a new courthouse in said county.

Mr. Barrett, of Gordon, offered a bill to be entitled an act to compel parties defendant to pay extra costs in certain cases.

Mr. Phillips introduced a bill to be entitled an act to confer certain rights and privileges on Charles R. Jarrett, his heirs and assigns, for the term of twenty-five years.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act incorporating the Georgia Military Institute, and to appropriate money therefor.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Habersham, Hall and Lumpkin.

Mr. Hughes reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Judges of the Inferior Courts of the counties of Liberty and Bryan to appoint a competent Surveyor from their respective counties to properly run out and clearly define the boundary line between said counties.

Mr. Jones, of Lowndes, reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate St. John the Baptist Lodge of Free and accepted Masons.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Troupville in the county of Lowndes, and to appoint Commissioners for the same.

On motion of Mr. Thornton, the House adjourned until half past 3 o'clock, this evening.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Clerk proceeded with the call of the counties, when the following bills were introduced and read the first time, viz :—

Mr. Harris, of Meriwether, reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary of Meriwether county to pay arrearages due the teachers of poor children in said county for services rendered in the years 1853, '4 and '5.

Mr. Thornton offered a bill to be entitled an act to repeal all laws now in force in this State authorizing imprisonment for debt.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank in the city of Columbus.

Mr. Caldwell, of Pike, reported a bill to be entitled an act to establish an election precinct at the usual place of holding Justices' Court in the second district of the county of Pike, commonly known as the Pine Flat District.

Mr. Kirkpatrick offered a bill to be entitled an act to alter and change the line between the counties of Spalding and Pike, and to add a part of the county of Pike to the county of Spalding.

Mr. Smith, of Tattnall, reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Methodist Episcopal Church in Tattnall county, known as Drewton's Church.

Mr. Browning reported a bill to be entitled an act to dispose of the Okfeenokee Swamp lands belonging to the State of Georgia, to provide for the draining of the same, and for other purposes.

Mr. Hilliard, of Ware, reported a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate a sum of money to remove obstructions from the Big Satilla River, and to render the same navigable for timber rafts, lumber, wood and produce thereon, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Rumph reported a bill to be entitled an act to compel all persons residing out of the limits of the State of Georgia, and who own land in any of the counties of this State, improved or unimproved, to give in and pay tax for the same in the county where the land lies.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act requiring the Justices of the Interior Court of the county of Wayne to tax all pedlars and itinerant traders in the sum of two hundred dollars vending wares and merchandize in the county of Wayne, and to

prevent more than one person peddling under the same license.

On motion of Mr. Haynie, of Floyd, Mr. Phillips was added to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Lewis, of Hancock, offered the following resolution, which was agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House be requested to have all documents, bills, or other matter hereafter ordered for the use of members, printed in octavo or other form more convenient for reference than heretofore practised.

On motion of Mr. Crook, the House adjourned until 10 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, NOV 15th, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Lewis, of Greene, moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the rejection of the bill to be entitled an act to amend the 7th section 2d article of the Constitution, so as to define and restrict the pardoning power of the Legislature, which motion was agreed to.

Mr. Thornton presented a memorial of the Trustees of the University of Georgia, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Public Education.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, the regular order was suspended to enable members to offer bills and resolutions.

Mr. Phillips presented the following resolution, which was on motion taken up, read and agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That all that portion of the Message of his Excellency the Governor relating to the Treasury, the Public Debt and Taxation, be referred to the Committee on Finance ; all that portion relating to the Western and Atlantic Railroad, and State aid to roads in process of construction, and other great lines of road essential to the completion of our railroad system, be referred to the Committee on Internal Improvement ; all that portion relating to Education, to the Committee on that subject ; all that portion relating to military affairs, including the Georgia Military Institute, be referred to the Committee on that subject ; and all that portion relating to federal and interstate relations, be referred to the Committee on Federal Relations ; also, all that part relating to a geological survey of the State, be referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Internal Improvement ; that part in relation to the Penitentiary, to the Committee on that subject ; that portion relating to the various Asylums, Lunatic, Deaf and Dumb and Blind, be referred to the respective Committees on those subjects.

Mr. Phillips offered a bill to be entitled an act to make fir-

nal disposition of the assets of the Central Bank, and for other purposes, which was read the first time.

Mr. Dawson offered the following rule, which, on his motion, was taken up, read and adopted, viz :

All bills proposing a change of county lines or of the names of persons in this State, shall be accompanied by the petition of the parties affected by the change in the county lines, or of the father of the child whose name is sought to be changed, if an illegitimate, or when not, the parties to be affected.

The following bills were reported and read the first time, viz :—

Mr. Guyton reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of the county of Laurens to levy an extra tax for pauper purposes.

Mr. Jones, of Muscogee, offered a bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the 18th and 19th sections of the first article of the Constitution of the State of Georgia.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Columbus Savings and Mutual Loan Association.

Mr. Cottle reported a bill to be entitled an act to add lots of land numbers ninety-nine, one hundred and twenty-five, one hundred and twenty-six, and one hundred and twenty-seven, in the thirteenth district of Marion county, to the county of Sumter.

Mr. Ward reported a bill to be entitled an act to suspend militia musters in time of peace.

Mr. Sharman offered a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of school teachers who taught any child or children entitled to the benefit of the poor school fund laws of this State, which child or children have not been returned as entitled to the same since the first of January, 1853.

Mr. Butts offered a bill to be entitled an act to authorize any citizen of this State, where he may ferret out and discover frauds or forgeries in relation to the issuing of grants in the different lotteries of this State, to have a grant issued to him and in his name, by paying into the State Treasury the original grant fee.

Mr. Smith, of Clinch, reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize Charles Cowart, an infirm man of the county of Clinch, as an itinerant trader, to vend any goods, wares and merchandize within the county of Clinch without obtaining license for the same.

Mr. Bartlett offered a bill to be entitled an act to remit the State tax to the amount of one hundred dollars to Solomon Page of Lee county, assessed against him by mistake of the Tax Receiver of that county.

Mr. Cannon introduced a bill to be entitled an act to divorce Wyley Trusty of the county of Rabun, from his wife, Margaret Trusty, formerly Margaret Shelton.

Mr. Crook presented a resolution for the relief of Thomas E. Patton of the county of Walker, which, on his motion, was taken up and read. The same, on motion of Mr. Lawton, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The following message was received from the Governor, through Mr. DeGraffenried, his Secretary :

Mr. Speaker :—I am directed by the Governor to transmit to this branch of the General Assembly a communication in writing :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT }
MILLEDGEVILLE, GEO., Nov. 15, 1855. }

To the Senate and House of Representatives :

In compliance with a resolution of the Senate, stating that the respites for Jacob Mercer and John T. Boyd will expire before the General Assembly can act upon their application for pardon, and requesting an extension of the time, I have the honor to communicate, that I have this day, by Executive order, addressed to the proper officers of the counties of Stewart and Muscogee respectively, prolonged the respite in both cases until Friday the 30th of this month.

HERSCHEL V. JOHNSON.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of James M. Mitchell of the county of Muscogee. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Francis Ponsell, which, on motion of Mr. Lawton, was referred to the Committee on Petitions.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to provide a correct registry of deaths occurring in the city of Savannah, and of interments in said city and its vicinity, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to provide for garnishment in certain cases, and for other purposes.

On motion of Mr. Thornton, the same was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change the name of Jordan S. Yeomans of the county of Montgomery, to that of Jordan S. Phillips, and to legitimize the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change the name of Emily Akins to that of Emily Curry of Irwin county, Georgia.

Mr. Thornton offered an amendment to change the names

of Sarah Margaret Langdon and others, which was agreed to.

Mr. Jones, of Lowndes, offered an amendment to change the name of Eliza Jane Lindsay of Lowndes county, which was also agreed to.

The bill as amended was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Consolidation.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Courts of the several counties of this State, upon the recommendation of the grand juries thereof, to assess and collect a tax for the payment of grand and petit jurors, or grand or petit jurors, and at their pleasure to discontinue and reassess the same upon said recommendation.

The same was, on motion of Mr. Thornton, referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to appoint a guardian for the minor children of Seaborn A. Hinton, to authorize the sale of certain lands, and for other purposes therein specified.

The same was, on motion of Mr. McConnell, referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Ocmulgee Mills. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change the name and legitimize William Standifer Hicks of the county of Chattooga.

The same was referred, under a rule of the House, to the Committee on Consolidation.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to prevent droves of neat cattle from being driven through the county of Catoosa.

An amendment was offered extending the provisions of said bill to the counties of Walker, Whitfield, Murray, Fannin, Gilmer, Gordon, Union, Pickens, Chattooga and Lumpkin, which was agreed to, and the bill as amended was read the third time, and on motion of Mr. Harris of Dougherty, indefinitely postponed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Milledge in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to endow the Atlanta Medical College; and after some time being spent thereon, the committee arose, and Mr. Milledge reported the bill back to the House, without amendment. The report of the committee was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, the same was referred to the Committee on Public Education.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to confer certain powers on the ex-

centors of John McMaster, deceased. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on motion of Mr. Terhune of Floyd, referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Henderson of Newton, for a few days on special business.

On motion of Mr. Phillips of Habersham, the House adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and went into committee of the whole (Mr. Milledge in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to provide for the survey of the sixth district of Habersham county. After some time spent thereon, Mr. Milledge reported the bill back to the House with an amendment. The report of the committee as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to reduce the fees of the several Tax Collectors hereafter to be elected for the county of Liberty, and for other purposes therein named, assented to December 21st 1853. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the several judiciary acts now in force in this State, so far as relates to Justices' Courts, approved Dec. 14th, 1811, so as to allow and authorize the same person to hold the two offices of the Clerk of the Inferior Court and Justice of the Peace at the same time in the county of Lumpkin. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to submit the question of the removal of the court-house of the county of Macon to the people thereof, and the place of its location; and in case they elect to remove it, to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court to sell the court-house and property of the county appertaining thereto, to negotiate for the site that may be selected, and levy an extra tax for the building of a new court-house. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize Uriah Evans of Twiggs county to peddle without license. Amendments were offered extending similar privileges to certain persons therein

named, which were agreed to. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on motion of Mr. Lawton, was referred to the Committee on Consolidation.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Washington county to levy and collect an extra tax for the purposes therein named. The report was agreed to.— The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the third section of the third article of the Constitution of the State of Georgia by striking out the following words, to-wit, "appointed by the Legislature," and inserting in lieu thereof the words following, to-wit, "elected by the persons entitled to vote for members of the Legislature at such times and in such manner as the Legislature shall or may by law direct, and to add an additional section to the first article of the Constitution.

The same was, on motion of Mr. Thornton, referred to the Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. Milledge, it was

Resolved, That all that matter in the Governor's Message having relation to the Judiciary, be referred to the standing committee on that subject.

Mr. Terhune, of Floyd, reported a bill to be entitled an act to add an additional section to the Penal Code, which was read the first time.

On motion of Lewis of Greene, the bill to be entitled an act to amend the 7th section of the 2d article of the Constitution, so as to define and restrict the pardoning power of the Legislature, was made the special order of Wednesday next.

The following bills were read the second time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act approved 7th Feb. 1854, to compensate the grand and petit jurors of Appling and Irwin counties, or so much thereof as relates to the county of Appling.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to change the name of John Hollingsworth to that of John McGough.

The same, under a resolution of the House, was referred to the Committee on Consolidation.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Irvin in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor to draw his warrant on the Treasury for the payment of the principal, interest and costs of a judgment in Baldwin Superior Court in favor of A. P. Rood, Adm'r of Mrs. Blanche Gibson, versus the Central Bank of Georgia. After some time spent thereon, the committee arose and Mr. Irvin reported the bill back to the House without amendment. Upon the question of agreeing to the report, on mo-

tion of Mr. Thornton, the same was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The following bills were read the second time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Inferior Court in the county of DeKalb, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John W. Carlton of the county of Fulton, who received serious injury whilst in the employment of the State.

The same was referred to a special committee, consisting of Messrs. Phillips, Harris and Terhune.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the village of Ringgold in Walker, now Catoosa county, approved Dec. 27th, 1847, to define the boundary of said village, and to confer certain powers upon the Commissioners of said village.

On motion of Mr. McConnell, of Catoosa, the same was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The following bills were taken up, and read the second time:

A bill to be entitled an act to establish and incorporate a Medical College in the city of Savannah, to be called the Oglethorpe Medical College.

A bill to be entitled an act to compensate the grand and petit jurors of the county of Decatur.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal the 3d section of an act entitled an act to make permanent the site of the public buildings in the county of Emanuel, and to incorporate and appoint Commissioners for the same, approved February 18th, 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the names of Josaphine Deas and Pinckney Deas, of the county of Floyd, and to legitimize the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to relieve William R. Higginbotham, a free man of color of the county of Floyd, from certain disabilities, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to divide and lay out a new county from the county of Franklin, and to provide for the organization of the same, which, under a rule of the House, was referred to the Committee on New Counties.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to revise and amend the judiciary system of this State, and to enable suitors in the Superior and Inferior Courts of this State to obtain judgment in certain cases at the first Term of such Court, was also read the second time, and on motion of Mr. Harris of Meriwether, referred to the Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. Crook, the House adjourned until 10 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. McConnell of Catoosa moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the indefinite postponement of the bill to be entitled an act to prevent droves of neat cattle from being driven through the county of Catoosa for speculative purposes. The motion was agreed to, and the bill was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, the same was taken up, and on motion of Mr. McConnell of Catoosa, was referred to a special committee of five, consisting of Messrs. McConnell of Catoosa, Phillips, Jones of Muscogee, Wood and Harris of Dougherty.

On motion of Mr. Irvtn, Mr. Jones of Muscogee was added to the Judiciary Committee.

The Committee appointed to consolidate all bills defining or changing county lines, to whom was referred a bill to be entitled an act to define a portion of the boundary line between the counties of Liberty and McIntosh, beg leave to report:—

They have had the same under consideration, and report the same back, with a substitute for the original bill, the adoption of which they recommend.

Mr. Thornton, from the Committee on Public Education, to whom was referred a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for academic purposes in the several counties therein named, begs leave to report that the Committee after consideration report it back to the House without amendment or recommendation, and ask to be discharged from the farther consideration of the same.

Mr. Irvin, of Wilkes, made the following report, viz :

The Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred the bill to be entitled an act to appoint a guardian for the minor children of Seaborn A. Hinton, to authorize the sale of certain lands, and for other purposes, and the bill to be entitled an act to confer certain powers on the executors of John McMaster, have had the same under consideration, and report against their passage.

The Committee have also had under their consideration a bill to be entitled an act to authorise the Justices of the Inferior Courts of the several counties of this State, upon the recommendation of the grand juries thereof, to assess and collect a tax for the payment of grand and petit jurors, or grand or petit jurors, and at their pleasure to discontinue and again to reassess the same upon said recommendation, and recommend its passage, after striking out the words "to be added to the jury fund aforesaid," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "to be paid into the county fund to be used for that purpose."

Mr. Ward, of Butts, offered the following resolution, which was agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That so much of the Governor's Message as relates to public printing be referred to the Committee on Printing.

The following bills were reported and read the first time, viz:—

Mr. Mobley reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Holmesville Lodge, Number one hundred and ninety-five, of Free and Accepted Masons of the town of Holmesville in Appling county.

Mr. Lawton, of Chatham, offered a bill to be entitled an act to reduce the number of jurors required for Coroners' inquests in the county of Chatham.

Mr. Terhune reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend the laws of this State relative to imprisonment for debt.

Mr. Harris, of Fulton, reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Atlanta Gas Light Company.

Mr. Smith, of Hancock, reported a bill to be entitled an act to consolidate Osborn and Poplar Hill precincts in Hancock county.

Mr. Dawson introduced a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Margaret Marchman, formerly Margaret Watson of the county of Greene, and to change the name of said Margaret Marchman to that of Margaret Watson.

Mr. Burnett offered a bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to amend the patrol laws of this State, approved February 20th, 1854, so far as relates to the county of Glynn.

Mr. Hale reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinaries of the several counties of this State to appoint one or more persons in each militia district to make out lists of poor school children, and for names to be added to the lists so made and returned.

Mr. Wood, of Fannin, reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the organization of the Inferior Courts of the several counties of this State.

Mr. Matthews reported a bill to be entitled an act to lay out and form a new county from the counties of Houston, Crawford and Macon, and to attach the same to a Judicial and Congressional District, and to provide for the county site in said county.

Mr. Jones, of Lowndes, reported a bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Troup and Heard, and to provide for the organization of the same.

Mr. Jones, of Muscogee, offered a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Columbus Fire Company No. 4.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of the Columbus Iron Works Company.

Mr. Thornton reported a bill to be entitled an act to sell

the Western and Atlantic Railroad by converting the same into stock, and dividing said stock into fifty thousand shares of the value of one hundred dollars each, providing for the sale of said stock, and incorporating a company to be called the Western and Atlantic Railroad Company, to provide for the organization of the same, prescribing its powers and privileges, and pointing out its liabilities.

Mr. Wimberly offered a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of teachers of such children in the county of Stewart as were entitled to the benefit of the poor school fund of said county for the year 1854, but were not returned by the grand jury of said county for said year to the Ordinary as commissioner of the poor school fund of said county.

Mr. Kirkpatrick offered a bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Inferior Court of the county of Spalding.

Mr. Smith, of Tattnall, reported a bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act entitled an act to carry into effect the amended Constitution of this State in reference to Ordinaries of this State, and for other purposes, assented to January 21st, 1852, so far as the same relates to the county of Tattnall.

Mr. Hill reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Mary F. Durand, wife of Samuel A. Durand of the town of Lagrange, county of Troup.

Mr. Anderson offered a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to pay Jules Dantel for expenses incurred by him in pursuing, apprehending and bringing to conviction Martin Kelsey, for the crime of robbery.

Mr. Irvin reported a bill to be entitled an act to define the liabilities of the husband for the debts of the wife, and to define the liabilities of property received through the wife for the debts of the husband existing at the time of marriage.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to appoint a guardian of the minor children of Seaborn A. Hinton of Catoosa county, and to authorize the sale of certain real estate, and for other purposes specified. The report of the Judiciary Committee, was adverse to the passage of said bill, was agreed to, and the same was therefore lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to define a portion of the boundary line between the counties of McIntosh and Liberty, to which Mr. Hughes of Liberty offered the following substitute, which was adopted, viz:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Judges of the Inferior Court of the counties of Liberty and McIntosh to appoint a competent surveyor from their respective counties to properly run out and define a certain portion of the line which divides the abovenamed counties.

The report of the committee was agreed to. The bill substituted was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to establish and incorporate a Medical College in the city of Savannah, to be called the Oglethorpe Medical College. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Courts of the several counties of this State, upon the recommendation of the grand juries thereof, to assess and collect a tax for the payment of grand and petit jurors, or grand or petit jurors, and at their pleasure to discontinue and again to reassess the same upon said recommendation. The report of the Judiciary Committee, recommending its passage with the following amendment, viz, by striking out the words "added to the jury fund aforesaid," and inserting in lieu thereof "paid into the county fund to be used for that purpose," was agreed to. The bill as amended was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to confer certain powers on the executors of John McMaster. The report of the Judiciary Committee adverse to its passage was agreed to, and the bill was therefore lost.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Milledge in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to the several counties therein named. After some time spent therein, Mr. Milledge reported the bill back to the House without amendment. Upon the question of agreeing to the report of the committee on Public Education, on motion of Mr. Thornton, the same was again referred to said Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act to encourage internal improvement in the State of Georgia, was read the second time, and on motion of Mr. Crook referred to the Committee on Internal Improvement.

A bill to be entitled an act to add a part of originally Union county to the county of Gilmer, was also read the second time and referred, under a rule of the House, to the Committee on Consolidation.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the road laws of this State so far as relates to the county of Glynn, was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Gwinnett to levy an extra county tax for the erection of a new court-house in said county, was also read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

A bill to be entitled an act to compel parties defendant to pay extra costs in certain cases, was read the second time.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to confer certain rights and privileges on Charles R. Jarrett, his heirs and assigns, for the term of twenty-five years.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act incorporating the Georgia Military Institute, and to appropriate money therefor, was read the second time, and on motion of Mr. Phillips of Habersham, referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

The following bills were also read the second time, viz:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Judges of the Inferior Courts of the counties of Liberty and Bryan to appoint a competent Surveyor from their respective counties to properly run out and clearly define the dividing line between said counties.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate St. John the Baptist Lodge No. 184 of Free and Accepted Masons.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Troupville in the county of Lowndes, and to appoint Commissioners for the same.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Graybill for a few days on account of the illness of his family; also, to Messrs. Williams of Bibb and Lewis of Hancock, on account of special business.

On motion of Mr. Irvin, the House adjourned until 3 o'clock, P M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, a Committee of Privileges and Elections was appointed by the Chair, consisting of Messrs. Browning, Phillips, Lewis of Greene, Warthen, Harris of Fulton, Crook, Hill of Troup, Anderson, Hudson of Gwinnett, Hudson of Harris, McLean, Graham, Owen, Luke and Roberts.

Also, on motion of Mr. Phillips, all matter now on the Clerk's table, or which may be, that comes properly under the consideration of said Committee, be referred thereto.

On motion of Mr. Terhune, a Committee on the Academy of the Blind was appointed, consisting of Messrs. Guyton, Hoyle, Kirkpatrick, Bradford, Caldwell of Pike, Davis of Bibb, Boyd, Griffith, Barton, Whitworth, Rumph, Durdan, Shipp, Shapman and Parks.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, the documents relative to our Federal Relations were taken up and read.

Mr. Jones, of Muscogee, moved their reference to the Committee on the State of the Republic, which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, one hundred and fifty copies of the Report of the Superintendent of the Lunatic Asylum were ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Speer, Clerk of the House, until Tuesday evening next, and on motion of Mr. Crook, Mr. Hunt was appointed to act in his stead.

Leave of absence was also granted Mr. Faulk of Twiggs, for a few days on account of special business.

On motion of Mr. Wood, the regular order was suspended, when he reported a bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act entitled an act to amend the 3d section of an act passed 19th December, 1822, entitled an act to amend the 26th section of the judiciary act passed the 16th day of Dec. 1799, and also to prevent a fraudulent enforcement of dormant judgments, approved Dec. 22, 1822, so as to read as follows: 1st section, last part, which reads as follows—but the lien of such revived judgments on the property of the defendants thereto, shall operate only from the time of such revival. The same was read the first time.

Mr. Pickett, Chairman of the Committee to whom was referred a bill for the relief of Francis Ponsell, made the following report, viz:

The Committee to whom was referred the bill for the relief of Francis Ponsell, have had the same under consideration, and report it back to the House, and recommend its passage.

The House, on motion, took up the report of the Committee on the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

On motion, Mr. Carlton of Clark was added to the Committee on the Lunatic Asylum.

On motion of Mr. Crook, the House adjourned until 10 o'clock, Monday morning.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19th, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion, the Clerk pro tem. was directed to inform the Senate of the temporary absence of Mr. Speer, their Clerk, and of the appointment of Mr. Hunt to fill the vacancy.

Mr. Murphey of Monroe asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Battle of Monroe, for a few days, in consequence of the illness of his family.

Leave of absence was also granted to Mr. Kirkpatrick for this day.

Leave of absence was also granted to Messrs. Tharp of Houston and Lewis of Greene, for a few days on special business.

On motion, the rules were suspended, and the following resolution of the Senate was taken up, to-wit :

Resolved, That the General Assembly do convene in the Representative Hall on Tuesday, the 20th inst. to proceed to the election of a Director of the State Bank and a Judge of the Supreme Court of this State.

Mr. Crook of Chattooga moved to strike out the words "Judge of the Supreme Court," which was lost. The resolution was then agreed to.

On motion, the order was further suspended, and the Committee on New Counties made the following report :

The Committee to whom was referred a bill to be entitled an act to lay out a new county out of the counties of Polk and Carroll, and to organize the same, report the same back to the House and recommend its passage.

The Committee to whom was referred a bill to be entitled an act to divide and lay out a new county out of the county of Franklin, report the same back to the House, and recommend its passage.

The call of counties was then resumed, and

Mr. Ward of Butts reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Indian Spring Male and Female Academies, to appoint trustees therefor, to appropriate three thousand dollars to erect academy buildings, which was read the first time.

The following message was received from the Senate by Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit :

A bill to authorize the county of Dougherty to aid in constructing the Georgia and Florida Railroad between Albany and Americus, or any other railroad running to said county, by subscription for stock and the issue of bonds therefor, upon a vote of the citizens.

Also, a bill to pardon John T. Boyd of the county of Muscogee, now under sentence of death for the crime of murder.

The Senate has also agreed to the following resolutions, to-wit :

A resolution to refund certain money to the Tax Collector of Bulloch county.

Also, a resolution making the Committees appointed on the part of the Senate and House of Representatives upon the Penitentiary a joint standing committee, in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has also agreed to the resolution of the House of Representatives in relation to the establishment of a mail route through Glynn county.

Also, passed a bill of the House of Representatives to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Washington county to revise their jury box, and for other purposes.

Mr. Crook of Chattooga offered the following resolution, which was agreed to, to-wit :

Resolved, That 150 copies each of the decision of the Supreme Court in the cases of the State vs. Jacob Mercer and the State vs. John T. Boyd, be published for the use of the House.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee offered the following resolution, to-wit :

Resolved, That 160 copies of the additional testimony in the case of the State vs. John T. Boyd be printed for the use of the House, which was agreed to.

Mr. Fields offered the following resolution, to-wit :

Resolved, That the House of Representatives meet to-day at 9 o'clock in the forenoon and 3 o'clock in the afternoon until further ordered by the House, which on motion was laid on the table for the present.

Mr. McClary of Calhoun reported the following bill, to-wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize and require the Ordinary of Early county to pay William S. Harris for tuition of certain poor children in the year 1849, which was read the first time.

Mr. Watts reported a bill to be entitled an act to remove an election precinct in the county of Campbell, which was read the first time.

Mr. Powell reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Decatur county to levy a tax for the purpose of paying the superintendents, clerks and those who consolidate the returns of elections of said county, for their services, which was read the first time.

Mr. Terhune reported a bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Floyd and Chattooga, which was read the first time.

Mr. Dorminy reported a bill to be entitled an act to compel persons owning lands in the several counties of this State to give in their respective numbers and location, which was read the first time.

Mr. Guyton of Laurens reported a bill to be entitled an act to define the liability of the hirer of slaves at public hirings by executors, administrators, guardians, trustees, or agents, which was read the first time.

Mr. Boyd of Lumpkin reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Georgia White Path Gold and Copper Mining Company of Northwestern Georgia, which was read the first time.

Mr. Felton of Macon offered the following resolution, which was taken up and agreed to, to-wit :

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to enquire and ascertain what services were rendered by Dr. Bedford J. Head to persons who had the small pox at Oglethorpe, Macon county, in the year 1853, and said committee report

such bill for his relief as they may deem just and proper.

Upon which resolution, the Speaker appointed the following gentlemen, to-wit: Messrs. Caldwell of Pike, Hoyle, Carlton, Cottle and Cobb.

Mr. Phillips of Habersham reported a bill to be entitled an act to provide for the appointment of officers and employees on the Western and Atlantic Railroad, which was read the first time.

Mr. Jones, of Muscogee, reported a bill to be entitled an act to define and point out the duty of superintendents of the general elections in this State in certain cases, being an act amendatory of the act of the 11th Feb. 1789, and the acts amendatory thereof, which was read the first time.

Mr. Browning of Thomas reported a bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Thomas and Lowndes, and for other purposes, which was read the first time.

Mr. Anderson of Wilkes reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of William A. Reese, which was read the first time.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, the following resolution of the Senate was taken up and agreed to, to-wit:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the committees appointed by the Senate and House of Representatives on the Penitentiary, be a joint standing committee.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Milledge in the Chair) on a bill to be entitled an act to authorize and direct his Excellency the Governor of Georgia to draw his warrant on any funds in the State Treasury for the payment of the principal, interest and costs of a judgment in Baldwin Superior Court in favor of A. P. Rood, Adm'r of Mrs. Blanche Gibson vs. the Central Bank of Georgia. After some time spent therein, the committee arose, and through Mr. Milledge, their Chairman, reported the bill back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, the same was recommitted, when he offered the following amendment, which was agreed to, viz:

And be it further enacted, That the sum of three thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated in part payment of the State Printer, and that His Excellency the Governor issue his warrant for the same in favor of Messrs. Barnes and Nisbet.

On motion of Mr. Irvin of Wilkes, the caption of said bill was amended by adding the following words, to-wit: And for other purposes therein named.

The committee again arose, and through Mr. Milledge, their Chairman, reported the bill with the amendments back to the House. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and passed under the amended title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to lay out a new county out of the counties of Polk and Carroll, and to organize the same. The report was agreed to, and upon the question, Shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 55, nays 64.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Hoyle,	Porter,
Avery,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Pruitt,
Barrett,	Hughes,	Reid,
Bird,	Irvin,	Richards,
Boyd,	Johnson of Carroll,	Roberts,
Browning,	Johnson of Elbert,	Shipp,
Burnett,	Jones of Lowndes,	Sinquefield,
Caldwell of Walker,	Julian,	Smith of Clinch,
Crook,	Kilgore,	Smith of Union,
Cunningham,	Matthews,	Stamper,
Davis of Polk,	McConnel of Catosa,	Stephens,
Dorminy,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Terhune,
Dozier,	Mobley,	Thompson,
Fields,	Myers,	Wood,
Graham,	Parks,	Watts,
Graves,	Phillips,	Whitworth,
Haynie,	Pickett,	Wimberley,
Headen,	Pofford,	Wynn.
Hilliard,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Guyton,	McLenan,
Barton,	Griffith,	Milledge,
Bartlett,	Hale,	Montgomery,
Beall,	Harrell,	Moore,
Boykin of Scriven,	Harris of Dougherty,	Murphy,
Boykin of Troup,	Harris of Fulton,	Paris,
Bradford,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	Peterson,
Brantley,	Harrison,	Phinzy,
Brown of Burke,	Hudson of Harris,	Powell,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Cass,	Rumph,
Butts,	Johnson of Henry,	Simmons,
Cannon,	Jones of Muscogee,	Solomon,
Carlton,	Jones of Warren,	Smith of Hancock,
Causey,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Tatum,
Cobb,	Laue,	Swearingen,
Cottle,	Lewis of Hancock,	Tatom,
Daniel,	Lowe,	Taylor,
Dawson,	Luke,	Thornton,
Durden,	Maynor,	Ward,
Edenfield,	McCants,	Warthen,
Felton,	McClary,	Wiggins,
Gordon,	McLean,	

So the bill was lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Tax Collector of the county of Lumpkin to pay over to the County Treasurer of said county the State tax collected by him for the year 1856. The report of the Committee on Finance, adverse to its passage, was agreed to, and the bill was therefore lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the road laws of this State, so far as relates to the county of Glynn. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to divide and lay out a new county from the county of Franklin.

Mr. Pruitt offered the following amendments, which were agreed to, viz: That the blank left for the name be filled with the word "Hudson," and that for the times of holding the Superior Court with the words "4th Monday in April and October."

The report of the Committee on New Counties, recommending the passage of said bill, was not agreed to. The bill was therefore lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of James Wright, jr. Jefferson Wright and others, securities of Stephen Wright, formerly Tax Collector of Putnam county, from the payment of twenty per centum interest per annum on an execution issued by the Comptroller General of this State against the said Stephen Wright, Tax Collector as aforesaid, and said James Wright, jr., and other securities of the same, on the first day of October, 1855, and for other purposes therein named. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Interior Court of the county of Gwinnett to levy an extra county tax to pay for the erection of a new court-house in said county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

On motion, leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Barron and Sharman for to-day on special business.

On motion of Mr. Carlton, the House adjourned until 3 o'clock, P M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to compel parties defendants to pay

extra costs in certain cases. The report was agreed to, and on motion of Mr. Terhune, the same was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Judges of the Inferior Courts of the counties of Liberty and Bryan to appoint competent surveyors from their respective counties to properly run out and clearly define the dividing line between said counties. The report of the committee was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate St. John the Baptist Lodge No. 184 of Free and Accepted Masons. The report of the committee was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Troupville in Lowndes county, and to appoint Commissioners for the same. The report of the committee was agreed to.— The bill was read the third time and passed.

The following bills were taken up and read the second time :

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary of Meriwether county to pay arrearages due to the teachers of poor children in said county for services rendered in the years 1853, '4 and '5.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal all laws now of force in this State authorizing imprisonment for debt, which, on motion of Mr. Thornton, was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank in the city of Columbus, which, on motion of Mr. Haynie, was referred to the Committee on Banks.

A bill to be entitled an act to establish an election precinct in the county of Pike, which, on motion of Mr. Irvin, postponed indefinitely.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and change the line between the counties of Spalding and Pike, and to add a part of the county of Pike to the county of Spalding.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Methodist Episcopal Church in Tattnall county, known as Brewton's Church.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Columbus Savings and Mutual Loan Association, which, on motion, was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act to add lots of land numbers ninety-nine, one hundred and twenty-five, one hundred and seventy-six, and one hundred and twenty-seven, in the thirteenth district of Marion county, to the county of Sumter.

A bill to be entitled an act to suspend militia musters in

time of peace, &c. which, on motion of Mr. Turkune, was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize any citizen of this State, when he may ferret out and discover frauds or forgeries in relation to the issuing of grants in the different lotteries of this State, to have a grant issued to him and in his name, by paying into the State Treasury the original grant fees.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the 18th and 19th sections of the first article of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, which, on motion of Mr. Thornton, was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act to compel all persons residing out of the State of Georgia, and who own lands in any of the counties of this State, improved or unimproved, to give in and pay tax for the same in the county where the land lies.

A bill to be entitled an act to dispose of the Okefenokee Swamp lands belonging to the State of Georgia, to provide for the draining of the same, and for other purposes, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Internal Improvements.

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate a sum of money to remove obstructions from the Big Satilla River, and to render the same navigable for timber rafts, lumber, wood and produce thereon, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act requiring the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Wayne to tax all pedlars and itinerant traders in the sum of two hundred dollars, vending wares and merchandize in the county of Wayne, and to prevent more than one person peddling under the same license.

A bill to be entitled an act to make final disposition of the assets of the Central Bank, and for other purposes, which was ordered to be engrossed.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of the county of Laurens to levy an extra tax for pauper purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of school teachers who taught any poor child or children entitled to the benefit of the poor school fund laws of this State, which child or children have not been returned as entitled to the same since the first of January, 1853.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Charles Cowart, an infirm man of the county of Clinch, as an itinerant trader to vend any goods, wares and merchandize within the county of Clinch without obtaining license for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to remit the State tax to the amount of one hundred dollars of Solomon Page of Lee county, assessed to him by mistake of the Tax Receiver of that county.

A bill to be entitled an act to divorce Wyley Trusty of the county of Rabun, from his wife, Margaret Trusty, formerly Margaret Shelton.

A bill to be entitled an act to add an additional section to the penal code.

The Committee on consolidation, to whom was referred a bill to authorize Uriah Evins to peddle, &c., together with amendments thereto, made the following report through Mr. Terhune, their Chairman, viz :

The Committee to whom was referred a bill to authorize Uriah Evins to peddle, &c., with amendments thereto, beg leave to report, that they have had the same under consideration, and return said bill with a substitute, the adoption of which they recommend.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred a resolution for the relief of Thomas E. Patton of the county of Walker, through their Chairman, Mr. Phillips, reported adversely, from the fact that the claim to which it refers has been paid.

On motion of Mr. Haynie, permission was given to Mr. McMillan to deliver a lecture, on the subject of Phrenology, in the Representative Hall, to-morrow at 7 o'clock, P. M.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, the House adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, NOV 20th, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Richards moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the action of the House by which the bill to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Polk and Carroll was lost ; upon which motion the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 79, nays 49.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Caldwell of Walker,	Fields,
Avery,	Cannon,	Graham,
Barrett,	Cooper,	Guyton,
Barton,	Cottle,	Harris of Fulton,
Bird,	Crook,	Haynie,
Boyd,	Cunningham,	Headen,
Bradford,	Daniel,	Hilliard,
Brantley,	Davis of Polk,	Hoyle,
Browning,	Dorminy,	Hudson of Gwinnett
Burnett,	Dozier,	Hudson of Harris,
Butts,	Durden,	Hughes,
Caldwell of Pike,	Edenfield,	Irvin,

Johnson of Carroll,	McConnel of Gord'n	Reid.
Johnson of Elbert,	McLenan,	Richards,
Johnson of Henry,	Milledge,	Slocumb,
Jones of Lowndes,	Mobley,	Smith of Union,
Jones of Warren,	Myers,	Stamper,
Julian,	Parks,	Stephens,
Kilgore,	Paris,	Terhune,
King of Fayette,	Phillips,	Thornton,
Kirkpatrick,	Phinzy,	Wood,
Kitchens,	Pickett,	Watts,
Lane,	Pofford,	Whitworth.
Lawton,	Porter,	Wimberly,
Matthews,	Powell,	Wynn.
M'Connel of Catoosa	Pruitt,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Harrell,	Owen;
Beall,	Harris of Dougherty	Peterson,
Boykin of Scriven,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	Rumph,
Boykin of Troup,	Harrison,	Sharman,
Brown of Burke,	Hill,	Simmons.
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Cass,	Sinquefield,
Carlton,	Jones of Muscogee,	Solomon,
Cobb,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Hancock,
Cornwell,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Tattnall,
Davis of Bibb,	Lowe,	Swearingen,
Dawson,	Luke,	Tatom,
Faulk,	Maynor,	Thompson,
Felton,	McClary,	Ward,
Gordon,	McLean,	Warthen,
Graybill,	Montgomery,	Wiggins,
Griffith,	Murphey,	Williams,
Hale,		

So the motion was agreed to.

Mr. Pruitt moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as refers to the action of the House by which the bill to lay out and organize a new county from the county of Franklin was lost, upon which motion the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 61, nays 62.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Carlton,	Haynie,
Barrett,	Cooper,	Headen,
Barron,	Crook,	Hilliard,
Bird,	Cunningham,	Hoyle,
Boyd,	Davis of Polk,	Hudson of Gwinnett
Bradford,	Dozier,	Hughes,
Brantley,	Fields,	Johnson of Elbert,
Browning,	Graham,	Jones of Warren,
Caldwell of Walker	Harris of Dougherty	Kilgore,
Cannon,	Harris of Fulton,	Kirkpatrick,

Lawton,	Paris,	Smith of Union,
Lowe,	Phillips,	Stephens,
Luke,	Plumizy,	Terhune,
Matthews,	Pickett,	Thornton,
McClary,	Porter,	Wood,
McConnel of Catoosa,	Powell,	Ward,
Milledge,	Pruitt,	Watts,
Mobley,	Richards,	Whitworth,
Murphey,	Slocumb,	Wimberly,
Myers,	Smith of Clinch,	Wynn.
Parks.		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Graybill,	Montgomery,
Barton,	Griffith,	Owen,
Beall,	Hale,	Peterson,
Boykin of Troup,	Harrell,	Reid,
Brown of Burke,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	Roberts,
Brown of Talbot,	Harrison,	Rumph,
Butts,	Hill,	Sharman,
Causey,	Hudson of Harris,	Simmons,
Cobb,	Johnson of Cass,	Sinquefield,
Cornwell,	Johnson of Henry,	Solomon,
Cottle,	Jones of Muscogee,	Smith of Hancock.
Daniel,	Julian,	Smith of Tattnall,
Davis of Bibb,	King of Fayette,	Stamper,
Dawson,	Laue,	Swearingen,
Dorminy,	Lewis of Greene,	Tatom,
Durden,	Lewis of Hancock,	Taylor,
Edenfield,	Maynor,	Thompson,
Faulk,	McCants,	Warthen,
Felton,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Wiggins,
Gordon,	McLean,	Williams,
Guyton,	McLenan,	

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Phillips of Habersham moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the concurrence of the House in the Senate resolution bringing on the election of a Director of the Bank of the State of Georgia and a Judge of the Supreme Court, upon which motion the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 40, nays 80.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Crook,	Headen,
Barron,	Davis of Polk,	Hoyle,
Boyd,	Durden,	Hudson of Gwin'tt.
Bradford,	Edenfield,	Johnson of Elbert,
Caldwell of Pike,	Graham,	Jones of Lowndes,
Caldwell of Walker,	Harrell,	Jones of Warren,
Cooper,	Haynie,	Kilgore,

King of Fayette,	Reid,	Terhune,
Lawton,	Richards,	Wood,
Maynor,	Smith of Clinch,	Ward,
McClary,	Smith of Union,	Warthen,
Myers,	Spinks,	Watts,
Phillips,	Taylor,	Wynn.
Pruitt,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Hale,	Murphey,
Avery,	Harris of Dough'ty,	Owen,
Barton,	Harris of Fulton,	Parks,
Beall,	Hill,	Paris,
Bird,	Hilliard,	Peterson,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hudson of Harris,	Phinizy,
Boykin of Troup,	Hughes,	Pickett,
Brantley,	Irvin,	Pofford,
Brown of Burke,	Johnson of Carroll,	Powell,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Cass,	Roberts,
Butts,	Johnson of Henry,	Rumph,
Cannon,	Jones of Muscogee,	Sharman,
Carlton,	Julian,	Simmons,
Causey,	Kirkpatrick,	Sinquefield,
Cottle,	Lewis of Greene,	Solomon,
Cunningham,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Hancock,
Daniel,	Lowe,	Smith of Tattall,
Davis of Bibb,	Matthews,	Stephens,
Dawson,	McCants,	Swearingen,
Dorminy,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Tatom,
Dozier,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Thompson,
Faulk,	McLean,	Thornton,
Felton,	McLenan,	Walton,
Fields,	Milledge,	Whitworth,
Gordon,	Mobley,	Wiggins,
Guyton,	Montgomery,	Wimberly.
Griffith,	Moore,	

So the motion to reconsider was lost.

Mr. Dawson moved to suspend the regular order for the purpose of going into the election of a Director of the State Bank and a Judge of the Supreme Court, upon which the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 101, nays 21.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Boykin of Troup,	Butts,
Amiss,	Bradford,	Carlton,
Barrett,	Brantley,	Causey,
Barron,	Brown of Burke,	Cornwell,
Barton,	Brown of Talbot,	Cottle,
Beall,	Browning,	Daniel,
Bird,	Burnett,	Davis of Bibb,

Dawson,	Johnson of Cass,	Paris,
Dorrimy,	Jones of Muscogee,	Peterson,
Edenfield,	Jones of Warren,	Phinizy,
Faulk,	Julian,	Pofford,
Felton,	Kilgore,	Porter
Fields,	King of Fayette,	Powell,
Gayton,	Kirkpatrick,	Pruitt,
Graham,	Kitchens,	Roberts,
Graybill,	Lewis of Greene,	Rumph,
Griffith,	Lewis of Hancock,	Sharman,
Hale,	Lowe,	Simmons,
Harrell,	Luke,	Sinquefield,
Harris of Dougherty	Matthews,	Slocumb,
Harris of Fulton,	Maynor,	Solomon,
Harris of Meriwe'r,	McCants,	Smith of Clinch,
Harrison,	McClary,	Smith of Hancock,
Haynie,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Smith of Tattnall,
Headen,	McConnel of Gord'n	Stephens,
Henderson,	McLean,	Swearingen,
Hill,	McLenan,	Tatom,
Hilliard,	Milledge,	Taylor,
Hoyle,	Mobley,	Thompson,
Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Montgomery,	Thornton,
Hudson of Harris,	Moore,	Wood,
Hughes,	Murphy,	Williams,
Irvin,	Myers,	Wimberley.
Johnson of Carroll.	Owen,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Boyd,	Lawton,	Stamper,
Caldwell of Walker,	Parks,	Terhune,
Cannon,	Phillips,	Ward,
Crook,	Pickett,	Warthen,
Davis of Polk,	Reid,	Watts,
Dozier,	Smith of Union,	Whitworth,
Jones of Lowndes,	Spinks,	Wynn.

So the motion was agreed to.

The Committee on Consolidation, through their Chairman, Mr. Terhune, made the following report, viz :

The Committee to whom was referred certain bills proposing a change of county lines. beg leave to report, that herewith they present a bill consolidating the various bills submitted to them on this subject, the passage of which they recommend.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize persons owning or who may hereafter own lands on any water course in this State to ditch and embank the same, so as to protect said lands from freshet or overflow, which was read the first time.

The following bills were also reported and read the first time, viz :—

By Mr. Milledge: A bill to be entitled an act to extend the jurisdiction of magistrates' Courts within the corporate limits of the city of Augusta to fifty dollars.

Mr. Lawton reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend the several acts of the General Assembly of the State of Georgia relating to the Savannah and Albany Railroad Company and the Savannah, Albany and Gulf Railroad Company, approved respectively on the 25th day of December, 1847, the 20th day of November, 1851, and the 20th day of February, 1854, and to authorize the Southern Branch of said Savannah, Albany and Gulf Railroad Company to cross the line of the Brunswick and Florida Railroad Company.

Mr. Milledge offered a bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the Constitution of this State, and provide for annual sessions of the General Assembly thereof.

Mr. Thornton reported a bill to be entitled an act to carry into effect the 13th section of the 4th article of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, and, upon motion, 160 copies of the same were ordered to be printed.

Mr. Crook reported a bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to settle and fix the hours of labor by all white persons, under twenty-one years of age, in all cotton, woollen and other manufacturing establishments in this State, and to make all contracts to labor in said factories for a greater length of time than herein prescribed null and void, and to punish violations of this act, so far as relates to the county of Chattooga.

The following message was this day received from the Governor, through Mr. DeGraffenreid, his Secretary, and on motion of Mr. Phillips, was taken up, read and referred to the Judiciary Committee:

Mr. Speaker:—I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the House of Representatives a communication in writing:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }

MILLEDGEVILLE, GEORGIA, Nov. 20, 1855 {

To the Senate and House of Representatives :

The State of Alabama has filed a Bill in the Supreme Court of the United States against the State of Georgia to settle the boundary line between the two States, on the western side of the Chattahoochee river. I have received, and acknowledged service thereof, a written notice, by L. Dargan and James E. Belser, the Counsel for the complainant, that on Friday, the 14th of December next, in open Court, a motion will be made, on behalf of the State of Alabama, for process to issue on the said Bill against the State of Georgia. I ask the attention of the Legislature to this

suit, that they may direct me as to its defence, and appropriate money for the employment of Counsel.

HERSCHEL V JOHNSON.

The Committee on the Judiciary made the following report, through their Chairman, Mr. Irvin, viz :

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred a bill to be entitled an act to amend the judiciary act of 1799, and to authorize judgments in certain cases at the first term, as in matters of rent, are of opinion that it ought not to pass.

The same Committee has likewise had under consideration a bill to be entitled an act to improve the laws of evidence and allow parties in interest to testify, and for other purposes; a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate the village of Ringgold; and a bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the third section of the third article of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, and to add an additional section to the first article of the Constitution, and therewith report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

On motion of Mr. Dawson, the Clerk was directed to inform the Senate that the House was now ready to receive them in their Chamber for the purpose of proceeding to the election of a Director for the Bank of the State of Georgia and a Judge of the Supreme Court.

The President and Members of the Senate attended in the Representative Hall, and the General Assembly proceeded first to ballot for a Director of the Bank of the State of Georgia. The ballots being counted out and it appearing that Mr. W. H. Long of the county of Chatham had received a majority of all the votes given in, he was declared duly elected Director of the Bank of the State of Georgia for the next ensuing term.

The General Assembly proceeded next to the election of a Judge of the Supreme Court. The ballots being counted out, and it appearing that the Hon. Charles J. McDonald of the county of Cobb had received a majority of all the votes given in, he was declared duly elected Judge of the Supreme Court of the State of Georgia.

On motion the Senate retired to their Chamber, when, on motion of Mr. Thornton the House adjourned until 3½ o'clock P. M.

HALF PAST THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The bill for the pardon of Jacob Mercer of the county of Stewart now under sentence of death for the crime of murder, being the regular order, was taken up, and on motion

of Mr. Crook, made the special order of Thursday next.

The House took up the report of the committee on a resolution for the relief of Thomas E. Patton of Walker county, which, on motion of Mr. Cannon of Rabun, was passed over for the present.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Taylor of Wilkinson for to-morrow on special business.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21st, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker being absent, Mr. Irvin in the Chair, the House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the 7th section of the 2d article of the Constitution, so as to define and restrict the pardoning power of the Legislature, which was the special order of the day.

Mr. Lewis of Greene offered the following amendment, viz: "Provided that for the crime of murder he shall have power only to commute the punishment from death to imprisonment for life in the Penitentiary, except on the ground of evidence discovered after the final judicial investigations of the crime, in which case he may grant a pardon."

On motion of Mr. Lewis of Greene, the same was recommended to the Judiciary Committee.

The following report was received from the Judiciary Committee, through Mr. Thornton their Chairman, viz:

The Judiciary Committee to whom was referred a bill to be entitled an act requiring the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Wayne to tax peddlers, and for other purposes, report the same back to the House, and recommend that it do not pass, as there is a general law on the subject.

The following bills were reported and read the first time, viz:—

Mr. Mobley reported a bill to be entitled an act to legitimize certain children therein named.

Mr. Davis of Bibb offered a bill to be entitled an act to endow the Southern Botanic Medical College at Macon, Georgia.

Mr. McConnell of Catoosa reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Catoosa to levy an extra tax for county purposes, upon the recommendation of the Grand Jury of said county.

Mr. Solomon introduced a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Henry W. Piatts, Isaac B. Cox, George W. Hays, and John W. Perkins.

Mr. Lawton reported a bill to be entitled an act to add additional sections to the fourteenth division of the Penal Code of the State of Georgia.

Mr. Dozier offered a bill to be entitled an act to compensate the Grand and Petit Jurors of the county of Clay.

Mr. Hoyle reported a bill to be entitled an act to exempt all persons over forty-five years of age from patrol duty, and to shorten the time of service of patrol companies from six to three months.

Mr. Harris of Fulton reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to alter and amend the several judiciary acts now in force in this State, so far as relates to justices' courts, and to enlarge the jurisdiction of justices of the peace in Fulton county.

Mr. Phillips offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was taken up, read and agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That that portion of the Governor's Message relating to the Seat of Government be referred to a select committee of five to be appointed by the Chair, and that they join such committee as may be appointed by the Senate, and port thereon as early as practicable.

The committee appointed by the Chair under said resolution are Messrs. Phillips, Lawton, Jones of Muscogee, Dawson, and Butts of Baldwin.

Mr. Phillips presented also a memorial of Leonidas Franklin, Trustee of Mrs. Susan J. Howard and Mrs. C. M. Franklin, relative to the removal of switches connected with the Western and Atlantic Railroad where said road passes through certain lands in which, as Trustee, he is interested. The same, on motion of Mr. Phillips, was read and referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Internal Improvements.

Mr. Pickett reported a bill to be entitled an act to prevent the spread of distemper among cattle, and for other purposes therein named.

Mr. Brantly reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the line dividing the counties of Coweta and Meriwether.

Mr. Harrison of Taliaferro reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the residence of John W. Darracott from the county of Warren to the county of Taliaferro.

Mr. Hill of Troup offered a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to alter and amend the several judiciary acts now in force in this State, so far as relates to justices' courts, approved December 14th, 1811.

Mr. Barton reported a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for the Medical College of Georgia.

Mr. Kirkpatrick offered a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Exchange Bank of the State of Georgia.

Mr. Smith of Union reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the building, opening and constructing a railroad from some point in the county of Union or in the county of

Fannin, which may be agreed upon by the Directors of said railroad, or a majority of them hereinafter mentioned, running up the valley of Little Hightower river in the county of Union, to connect with the Northeastern Railroad (now contemplated) in the county of Rabun or Habersham, or with some other railroad or contemplated railroad, and to grant corporate powers and privileges to the same.

Mr. Shipp reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Cusseta in the county of Chattahoochee, and to render the county site permanent, and to appoint an Intendant and Commissioners, and regulate the duty of the same.

Mr. Jones of Warren reported a bill to be entitled an act to retain the State tax of the county of Warren for the year 1855, and to appropriate the same to county purposes as hereinafter directed.

Mr. Lawton presented the memorial of the Savannah Medical College, which was on his motion read and referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Haynie, the rules were suspended, when he offered the following resolution, which was agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed by the Chair to examine the books in the Executive Department, and the condition of the same, and if the books should be reported in bad order, then and in that case His Excellency the Governor shall cause the same to be re-copied, or revised, as in his judgment will best promote the interest of this State, and shall draw his warrant upon the Treasurer for the full amount of the expenses not otherwise appropriated.

The committee appointed by the Chair under said resolution are Messrs. Haynie, Phillips, Dawson, Crook, McConnell of Catoosa.

On motion of Mr. Dawson, the rules were further suspended, for the purpose of taking up the Senate bill for the pardon of John T. Boyd of the county of Muscogee, now under sentence of death for the crime of murder, which was read, and on his motion ordered to be engrossed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill from the office of the Secretary of State, to be entitled an act to alter and amend the third section of the third article of the Constitution of the State of Georgia by striking out the following words, to-wit, "appointed by the Legislature," and inserting in lieu thereof the words following, to-wit, "elected by the persons entitled to vote for members of the Legislature at such times and in such manner as the Legislature shall or may by law direct, and to add an additional section to the first article of the Constitution.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee offered the following, viz: Strike out the following words, to-wit, "to grant corporate powers and privileges, except to Banking, and Telegraph and Rail-

road Companies act"—which was agreed to. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question, Shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were recorded, and are yeas 114, nays 7.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Harris of Meriw'e'r,	Owen,
Amiss,	Haynie,	Parks,
Avery,	Headen,	Paris,
Barrett,	Hill,	Peterson,
Barton,	Hilliard,	Phillips,
Bird,	Hoyle,	Phinizy,
Boyd,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Pickett,
Bradford,	Hudson of Harris,	Pofford,
Brantley,	Hughes,	Porter,
Brown of Burke,	Johnson of Carroll,	Powell,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Elbert,	Pruitt,
Browning,	Johnson of Henry,	Reid,
Butts,	Jones of Lowndes,	Richards,
Carlton,	Jones of Muscogee,	Roberts,
Causey,	Jones of Warren,	Rumph,
Cobb,	Julian,	Sharman,
Cornwell,	Kilgore,	Shipp,
Crook,	King of Fayette,	Simmons,
Cunningham,	Kirkpatrick,	Sinquefield,
Daniel,	Kitchens,	Solomon,
Davis of Bibb,	Lane,	Smith of Clinch,
Davis of Polk,	Lawton,	Smith of Hancock,
Dawson,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Tattnall,
Dorminy,	Lowe,	Smith of Union,
Durden,	Luke,	Spinks,
Edenfield,	Matthews,	Stephens,
Faulk,	Maynor,	Swearingen,
Felton,	McCants,	Tatoin,
Fields,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Thompson,
Gordon,	McComm'l of Gord'n	Thornton,
Guyton,	McLean,	Wood,
Graves,	McLenan,	Walton,
Graybill,	Milledge,	Ward,
Griffith,	Mobley,	Warthen,
Hale,	Montgomery,	Watts,
Harrell,	Moore,	Whitworth,
Harris of Dough'ty,	Murphy,	Wiggins,
Harris of Fulton,	Myers,	Wynn.

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Beall,	Dozier,	Johnson of Cass,
Burnett,	Graham,	Stamper.
Cannon,		

So the bill was passed under the title thereof.

The following message was received from His Excellency

the Governor, by Mr. Briscoe, his Secretary, which was taken up and read :

Mr. Speaker :—I am directed by the Governor to lay before this branch of the General Assembly a communication in writing with accompanying documents :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
MILLEDGEVILLE, GEO., Nov. 21, 1855. }

To the Senate and House of Representatives :

I herewith transmit the report of the Board of Visitors to the Georgia Military Institute at Marietta.

As germane to the subject, I avail myself of the occasion to recommend the Legislature to dispense with the Arsenal at the Capitol and at Savannah, and to place the State arms and ammunition in the custody of the Institute. It is believed that the proceeds of the sale of the Arsenal lot in Savannah will be sufficient to erect a suitable building for the purpose. The Institute is located near the Western and Atlantic Railroad, so that the arms may be distributed as they may be required, with great facility and dispatch. The aggregate salaries now allowed to the Keepers of the two Arsenals will amply compensate the head officer of the Institute for his services in keeping the arms in order. Such disposition of the State arms will give to the Cadets useful employment in learning thoroughly the art of cleaning and burnishing the weapons of war. And last, though not least, the fact of so important a public trust being confided to them, will enhance the pride and spirit so indispensable to the successful pursuit of military education. Viewing the subject in the light of these suggestions, it is believed that the adoption of this recommendation, while it will secure the better keeping of the State arms, without any increase of expense in this branch of the public service, will also give encouragement to an Institution which I cordially commend to the fostering care of the Legislature at its present session.

HERSCHEL V JOHNSON.

On motion of Mr. Milledge, 160 copies of the same and accompanying documents, were ordered to be printed.

On motion, Mr. Matthews was added to the Committee on Petitions.

On motion, the House adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Dawson, the rules were suspended for the purpose of reading bills the second time.

The following bills were read the second time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to lay off and organize a new county from the counties of Habersham and Hall, was referred to the Committee on New Counties, under a rule of the House.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the laws of this State relative to imprisonment for debt.

A bill to be entitled an act to reduce the number of jurors required for Coroners' inquests in the county of Chatham.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Holmesville Lodge, Number one hundred and ninety-five, of Free and Accepted Masons of the town of Holmesville, Appling county.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Margaret Marchman, formerly Margaret Watson of the county of Greene, and to change the name of said Margaret Marchman to that of Margaret Watson, was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The following bills were read the second time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Decatur county to levy a tax for the purpose of paying the superintendents, clerks and those who consolidate the returns of elections of said county, for their services.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinaries of the several counties of this State to appoint one or more persons in each militia district to make out lists of poor school children, and for names to be added to the lists so made and returned.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Atlanta Gas Light Company.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize and require the Ordinary of Early county to pay William S. Harris for tuition of certain poor children in the year 1849.

A bill to be entitled an act to remove an election precinct in the county of Campbell.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to amend the patrol laws of this State, approved February 20th, 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act to consolidate Osborn and Poplar Hill precincts in Hancock county.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of the Columbus Iron Works Company.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Columbus Fire Company No. 4.

The following bills were read the second time, and referred, under a rule of the House, to the Committee on New Counties, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Houston, Crawford and Macon, and to attach the same to a Judicial and Congressional District, and to provide for the county site in such county.

A bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Floyd and Chattooga.

And a bill to be entitled an act to lay out and form a new county from the counties of Troup and Heard, and to provide for the organization of the same

The following bills were read the second time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to to change the time of holding the Inferior Court of the county of Spalding.

A bill to be entitled an act to define the liabilities of the husband for the debts of the wife, and to define the liabilities of property received through the wife for the debts of the husband existing at the time of marriage.

A bill for the relief of Mary F Durand, wife of Samuel A. Durand of the town of Lagrange, county of Troup.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Indian Spring Male and Female Academies, to appoint trustees therefor, and appropriate three thousand dollars to erect academic buildings.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act entitled an act to carry into effect the amended Constitution of this State in reference to Ordinaries of this State, and for other purposes, assented to January 21st, 1852, so far as the same relates to the county of Tattnall. Also,

A bill to be entitled an act to define and point out the duty of superintendents of the general elections in this State in certain cases, being an act amendatory of the act of the 11th Feb. 1789, and the acts amendatory thereof. Also,

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Georgia White Path Gold and Copper Mining Company of Northwestern Georgia. Also,

A bill to be entitled an act to define the liability of the hirers of slaves at public hirings by executors, administrators, guardians, trustees, and agents.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to compel persons owning lands in the several counties of this State to give in their respective numbers and location.

The bill to be entitled an act for the relief of William M. Reese, was read the second time, and on motion of Mr. Anderson of Wilkes, referred to Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the appointment of officers and employees on the Western and Atlantic Railroad, was read the second time, and on motion of Mr. Phillips, was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of teachers of such children in the county of Stewart as were entitled to the benefit of the poor school fund of said county for the year 1854, but were not returned by the grand jury of said county for said year to the Ordinary as commissioner of the poor school fund of said county, was read the second time.

and on motion of Mr. Wimberly, referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to be entitled an act to sell the Western and Atlantic Railroad by converting the same into stock, and dividing said stock into fifty thousand shares of the value of one hundred dollars each, providing for the sale of said stock, and incorporating a company to be called the Western and Atlantic Railroad Company, to provide for the organization of the same, prescribing its powers and privileges, and pointing out its liabilities, was read the second time, and on motion of Mr. Thornton, referred to the Committee on Internal Improvement.

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to pay Jules Dantill for expenses incurred by him in pursuing, apprehending and bringing to conviction Martin Kelsey, for the crime of robbery, was read the second time, and on motion of Mr. Anderson, referred to the Committee on Finance.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the organization of the Inferior Courts of the several counties of this State, was read the second time, and on motion of Mr. Wood, referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act entitled an act to amend the 3d section of an act passed the 19th December, 1822, entitled an act to amend the 26th section of the judiciary act passed the 16th Dec. 1799, and also to prevent a fraudulent enforcement of dormant judgments, approved Dec. 22, 1822, so as to read as follows: 1st section, last part, which reads as follows—that the lien of said revived judgments on the property of the defendants thereto, shall operate only from the time of such revival, but the lien of such revived judgments shall operate from the time of the serving of the defendant thereto with the scire facias, was read the second time, and on motion of Mr. Wood, referred to the Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. Harris of Dougherty, the rules were suspended for the purpose of taking up the bill from the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize the county of Dougherty to aid in constructing the Georgia and Florida Railroad between Albany and Americus, or any other railroad running to said county, by the subscription for stock and the issue of bonds therefor, upon a vote of the citizens. The same was read the second time.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize persons owning or who may hereafter own lands on any water course in this State to ditch and embank the same, so as to protect said lands from freshets and overflows, and a bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Thomas and Lowndes, and for other purposes, were read the second time, and the latter, under a rule of the House, referred to the Committee on New Counties.

On motion, the rules were again suspended, and the following resolution was offered, viz :

Mr. Hill of Troup :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Georgia in General Assembly met, That a committee of three be appointed on the part of the House and two on the part of the Senate, who shall form a joint committee, whose duty it shall be to proceed to the Western and Atlantic Railroad, and make a thorough examination of said road, its finances, equipment, rates of freight, whether equal or unequal, partial or impartial, and its management generally, and all other matters pertaining to said road of interest to the State ; and that said committee may discharge their duties more efficiently, they are hereby empowered to procure such assistance as they may find necessary, to examine all books and papers connected with the business of said road, to compel the attendance of all persons whose testimony they may desire, and to call upon the Superintendent and other officers and agents of said road for such information as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

And be it further resolved, That all bills now before the House or Senate relating to the Western and Atlantic Railroad in any manner whatever, be postponed until the report of said committee. On motion, the same was taken up.

The following amendment, offered by Mr. Lewis of Hancock, was agreed to, viz :

Resolved further, That if, after the examination made by the Road Committee, the managements and business and books of the Road shall appear to be in bad condition and keeping, that they be instructed and empowered to bring with them to Milledgeville all the books and other papers connected with its management, which may be of service to the Legislature in the further examination of the same.

The same as amended was agreed to, and the Clerk instructed to transmit it to the Senate.

Mr. Hudson of Harris offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on New Counties and changing county lines be requested to notify members introducing bills for new counties, or for changing county lines, of their meetings, and when their bills will severally be considered ; and that the Representatives of counties out of which the same are proposed to be made, or lines changed, also be notified of the time of said considerations. The same was taken up and agreed to.

Also, Mr. Davis of Polk :

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of those introducing bills for new counties to furnish the Committee on New Counties with a map of the proposed new county with its boundary, and a correct map of the counties out of which

the said new county is to be made. The same was also taken up and agreed to.

Also, Mr. Jones of Muscogee:

Resolved, That a committee of one from each Judicial Circuit be appointed from this House to join a like committee from the Senate, to whom shall be referred all matters involving the equalization of the labor of said Circuits and the creation of new ones. The same was taken up, read and agreed to.

Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Anderson of Wilkes and Montgomery of Newton, for a few days on special business.

On motion of Mr. Gordon of Harris, the House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY, NOV 22d, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Committee appointed by the Speaker to visit and thoroughly examine the Western and Atlantic Railroad are Messrs. Hill of Troup, Phillips and Lawton.

The Committee appointed to equalize the labors in the several Judicial Circuits of this State, are Messrs. Jones of Chattahoochee Circuit, Crook of the Cherokee, Lawton of the Eastern, Ward of the Flint, Felton of the Macon, Bradford of the Blue Ridge, Dawson of the Ocmulgee, Bartlett of the Southwestern, Jones of Lowndes of the Southern, Lowe of the Western, Lewis of Hancock of the Northern, Milledge of the Middle, and Harris of Fulton of the Coweta Circuit.

The Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred the communication of the Governor relative to the suit instituted by the State of Alabama against the State of Georgia, reported a resolution through their Chairman (Mr. Irvin) requesting His Excellency the Governor to employ counsel to defend said suit in the Supreme Court of the United States, and authorizing him to draw his warrant on the Treasury for such an amount as he may think proper to pay said counsel. The same was laid on the table for the present.

The Committee on New Counties, through their Chairman, Mr. Watts, made the following report, viz :

The Committee to whom was referred the bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county out of the counties of Heard and Troup, report the same back to the House without an expression of opinion for or against its passage.

The Committee on Education, through their Chairman, Mr. Thornton, made the following report, viz :

The Committee on Education to whom was referred a bill to be entitled an act to endow the Atlanta Medical College, beg leave to report the same back to the House, without any expression of opinion, as the Committee cannot agree upon the same. Also, a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to the several counties therein named for academical purposes, which they report back to the House, and recommend that it do not pass.

The following Message was received from the Senate by Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to fix the dignity and prescribe the order in which debts due by deceased persons shall be paid.

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the Brunswick Improvement Company, passed 9th Feb. 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act to add a part of the county of Ware to the county of Charlton.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Union Iron and Coal Company, and the Georgia Coal Mining Company.

Mr. Fields, from the Committee on Enrolment, reported the following act and resolution as duly enrolled, viz :

An act to authorize the Justices of the Interior Court of Washington county to revise their jury box, and for other purposes ; and a resolution to establish a mail route.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the pardon of Jacob Mercer of the county of Stewart, now under sentence of death for the crime of murder, the same being the special order of the day. The report was agreed to, and after some discussion had thereon, on motion of Mr. Lewis of Hancock, the House adjourned until 3 o'clock P M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and proceeded regularly with the special order, to-wit, the bill for the pardon of Jacob Mercer.

Upon the question, Shall this bill now pass ? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 47, nays 83.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Boykin of Scriven, Crook,
Barrett,	Caldwell of Pike, Daniel,
Bartlett,	Caldwell of Walker Davis of Bibb,
Battle,	Cobb, Dozier,
Beall,	Cottle, Durden,

Edenfield,	Matthews,	Smith of Union,
Graves,	McCants,	Stamper,
Harris of Dougherty,	McClary,	Swearingen,
Henderson,	Mobley,	Tatom,
Hilliard,	Parks,	Tharpe,
Hughes,	Phinzy,	Ward,
Johnson of Carroll,	Porter,	Warthen,
Johnson of Elbert,	Richards,	Watts,
Jones of Muscogee,	Simmons,	Wiggins,
King of Fayette,	Slocumb,	Williams.
Luke,	Smith of Clinch,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Harris of Fulton,	Murphey,
Barton,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	Myers,
Bird,	Harrison,	Owen,
Boyd,	Haynie,	Paris,
Boykin of Troup,	Headen,	Peterson,
Bradford,	Hill,	Phillips,
Brantley,	Hoyle,	Pickett,
Brown of Burke,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Pofford,
Brown of Talbot,	Hudson of Harris,	Pruitt,
Browning,	Irvin,	Roberts,
Burnett,	Johnson of Cass,	Rozier,
Cannon,	Johnson of Henry,	Rumph,
Carlton,	Jones of Warren,	Sharman,
Causey,	Julian,	Shipp.
Cornwell,	Kilgore,	Sinquefield,
Cunningham,	Kirkpatrick,	Solomon,
Davis of Polk,	Kitchens,	Smith of Hancock.
Dawson,	Lawton,	Smith of Tattnall,
Dorminy,	Lewis of Greene,	Spinks,
Faulk,	Lewis of Hancock,	Stephens,
Fields,	Lowe,	Taylor,
Gordon,	Maynor,	Thompson,
Guyton,	McConnel of Catoosa,	Thornton,
Graham,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Wood,
Graybill,	McLean,	Walton,
Griffith,	McLenan,	Whitworth,
Hale,	Milledge,	Wimberly,
Harrell,	Moore,	Wynn.

So the bill was lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill offered by the Committee on Consolidation as a substitute for certain bills referred to said Committee, proposing a change in county lines. The substitute was adopted; the report was agreed to, and the bill read the third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Milledge in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to appro-

priate money to the several counties therein named. After some time being spent therein, Mr. Milledge reported the bill back to the House without amendment. The report of the committee on Education, which was adverse to the passage of the bill, was not agreed to. The bill was read the third time and on the question, Shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 40, nays 91.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Harris of Dough'ty,	Moore,
Barron,	Harris of Fulton,	Myers,
Barton,	Haynie,	Paris,
Boyd,	Hilliard,	Pickett,
Bradford,	Hughes,	Pofford,
Burnett,	Johnson of Carroll,	Pruitt,
Caldwell of Pike,	Johnson of Henry,	Richards,
Caldwell of Walker,	Kirkpatrick,	Shipp,
Cannon,	Matthews,	Simmons,
Causey,	McClary,	Stephens,
Crook,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Thompson,
Davis of Polk,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Wood,
Dawson,	Milledge,	Watts.
Dozier,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Felton,	Lawton,
Avery,	Fields,	Lewis of Greene,
Bartlett,	Gordon,	Lewis of Hancock,
Battle,	Guyton,	Luke,
Beall,	Graham,	Maynor,
Bird,	Graves,	McLean,
Boykin of Scriven,	Graybill,	McLenan,
Boykin of Troup,	Griffith,	Mobley,
Brantley,	Hale,	Murphey,
Brown of Burke,	Harrell,	Owen,
Brown of Talbot,	Headen,	Parks,
Browning,	Henderson,	Peterson,
Butts,	Hill,	Phillips,
Carlton,	Hoyle,	Phinizy,
Cobb,	Hudson of Gwin'tt.	Porter,
Cooper,	Hudson of Harris,	Powell,
Cornwell,	Irvin,	Reid,
Cottle,	Johnson of Cass,	Roberts,
Cunningham,	Johnson of Elbert,	Rozier,
Daniel,	Jones of Muscogee,	Rumph,
Davis of Bibb,	Jones of Warren,	Sharman,
Dorminy,	Julian,	Sinquefield,
Durden,	Kilgore,	Slocumb,
Edenfield,	King of Fayette,	Solomon,
Faulk,	Kitchens,	Smith of Hancock,

Smith of Tattnall,	Tharpe,	Whitworth,
Spinks,	Thornton,	Wiggins,
Stamper,	Walton,	Williams,
Swearingen,	Ward,	Wimberly,
Tatom,	Warthen,	Wynn.
Taylor,		

So the bill was lost.

Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Boykin, Sinquefield, Griffith and Bird for a few days on account of special business.

On motion of Mr. Wood, the House adjourned until 10 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23d, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Crook moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the action of the House by which the bill for the pardon of Jacob Mercer of the county Stewart, now under sentence of death for the crime of murder, was lost. On the question of reconsideration the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 84, nays 31.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Fields,	Lewis of Hancock,
Barrett,	Guyton,	Luke,
Barron,	Graham,	McClary,
Barton,	Graves,	M'Connel of Catoosa
Bartlett,	Harris of Dougherty	McConnel of Gord'n
Beall,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	McLenan,
Bird,	Haynie,	Milledge,
Bradford,	Headen,	Mobley,
Browning,	Henderson,	Moote,
Burnett,	Hill,	Murphy,
Butts,	Hilliard,	Myers,
Caldwell of Pike,	Hughes,	Parks,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Elbert,	Paris,
Cannon,	Jones of Lowndes,	Peterson,
Cobb,	Jones of Muscogee,	Phillips,
Cooper,	Julian,	Phinizy,
Cottle,	King of Fayette,	Pofford,
Crook,	King of McIntosh,	Porter,
Cunningham,	Kirkpatrick,	Pruitt,
Davis of Polk,	Kitchens,	Reid,
Dawson,	Lane,	Roberts,
Dozier,	Lawton,	Rumph,
Durden.	Lewis of Greene,	Sharman,

Shipp,	Swearingen,	Warthen,
Slocumb,	Terhune,	Watts,
Smith of Clinch,	Tharpe,	Wiggins,
Smith of Tattnall,	Wood,	Williams,
Stamper,	Ward,	Wynn.

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Boykin of Troup,	Hale,	McLean,
Brantley,	Harrell,	Owen,
Brown of Burke,	Harris of Fulton,	Sinquefield,
Brown of Camden,	Harrison,	Solomon,
Carlton,	Hoyle,	Smith of Hancock,
Causey,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Spinks,
Cornwell,	Hudson of Harris,	Taylor,
Dorminy,	Johnson of Cass,	Thompson,
Edenfield,	Johnson of Henry,	Thornton,
Faulk,	Maynor,	Whitworth,
Graybill,		

So the motion to reconsider prevailed.

Mr. Wood of Fannin moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the loss of the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to the several counties therein named for academical purposes, which motion was lost.

The Committee to whom certain bills changing names and legitimatizing persons therein named was referred, to consolidate, beg leave to report, that in discharge of that duty they herewith present a substitute, and recommend its adoption.

Mr. Phillips offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was taken up, read and agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be excused from the service of the House to attend to duties in the Treasury Department, and that no bill offered by either of them be taken up on its passage during their absence.

The following bills were reported, and read the first time, viz :—

Mr. Mobley reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Joseph L. Robinson of the county of Appling.

Mr. Williams offered a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Bibb County Orphan Asylum.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to give to tanners, plumbers and gas-felters the benefit of an act entitled an act to give to masons and carpenters an incumbrance for debts due on account of work done and materials furnished in building and repairing houses and the premises to which they may be attached, and to repeal all laws on the subject, so far as relates to the counties of Richmond, McIntosh, and in the cities of Savannah, Macon and Columbus, assented to Dec. 22d, 1834.

Mr. Davis of Bibb reported a bill to be entitled an act to

make and constitute Anistalia Lorentine Horn, wife of Alfred Horn of the county of Bibb, a sole trader.

Mr. McLean reported a bill to be entitled an act for the protection, in certain cases, of wool sellers within the State of Georgia.

Mr. Ward of Butts introduced a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary of Butts county to pay Juda Bond for teaching poor school children.

Mr. Crook reported a bill to be entitled an act to simplify the method of carrying cases to the Supreme Court, and for other purposes.

Mr. Dozier reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Spencer Caldwell of the county of Clay.

Mr. Smith of Clinch offered a bill to be entitled an act to change the name of Franklin Beunet of Clinch county to that of Franklin Sermons, and to legitimatize the same.

Mr. Porter offered a bill to be entitled an act to legalize and make valid all warrants for lands in the county of Effingham, heretofore issued by the Justices of the Inferior Court of that county, or by one or more of said Justices in connection with one or more Justices of the peace of said county, or issued by their order, and to constitute the Inferior Court of the county of Effingham a land court for the issuing of warrants for lands in said county, according to the head right laws now of force in this State.

Mr. Hudson of Harris reported a bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the laws of this State pertaining to Ordinaries, Courts of Ordinary, Executors, Administrators and Guardians, and to make provision for a public Administrator and Escheater.

Mr. Tharpe offered a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Sandy Run Academy in the county of Houston, and to appoint trustees for the same.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to abolish the precinct at Wilna and the one at Jackson's Spring in Houston county, and to establish a precinct at Sperry's Store in said county.

Mr. Guyton reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Hardy Smith of the county of Laurens.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act assented to 24th December, 1847, entitled an act to incorporate the Muscogee Asylum for the Poor, to make provision for their support, and authorize the Inferior Court of Muscogee county to bind out poor children to said corporation under certain circumstances, and to provide for their education.

Mr. Spinks reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Paulding county to levy an additional tax on the State tax not exceeding two hundred per centum.

Mr. Caldwell of Pike offered a bill to be entitled an act to amend the 7th section of the charter of the city of Griffin, and to abolish the salary of the mayor of said city, and to reduce the salary of the clerk and marshal of said city; also to restrict the power of said mayor and council in the taxation of negro mechanics, and for other purposes.

Mr. Graves offered a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Randolph College, Cuthbert, Georgia.

Mr. Milledge offered a bill to be entitled an act to provide for paying the delegates sent by authority of the State of Georgia to the Convention of the people of the slaveholding States, held at Nashville in June, 1850.

Mr. Brown of Talbot offered a bill to be entitled an act declaratory of the intention of the act entitled an act for the relief of honest debtors, approved on the 19th December, 1823.

Mr. Faulk offered a bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Superior Courts of Twiggs county.

Mr. Browning reported a bill to be entitled an act to confer certain privileges upon Francis M. Sweatman of Thomas county, and render him capable of transacting business for himself.

Mr. Sharman reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary of the county of Upson to pay Arthur Moore the amount of his account for teaching poor children in said county in the year 1852.

Mr. Caldwell of Walker reported a bill to be entitled an act to compensate Almon Guinn for the apprehension and delivery of William Mitchell, a fugitive from justice, and to appropriate money for the same.

Mr. Davis of Polk reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Polk to levy an extra tax for county purposes, upon recommendation of the Grand Jury of said county.

Mr. Burnett offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was taken up, read and agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor be requested to furnish the House of Representatives with a copy of the report of the Secretary of the Navy to the Senate of the United States in relation to the establishment of a Naval Depot at Brunswick in this State.

Mr. Harris of Meriwether offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was taken up, read and agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to take into consideration the propriety of drafting and reporting a bill to make all executions for capital offences private.

The following message was this day transmitted to the House of Representatives, from his Excellency the Governor, through Mr. de Craffenreid, his Secretary, and on motion taken up and read :

Mr. Speaker:—I am directed by his Excellency the Governor to transmit to the House of Representatives a communication in writing, with accompanying documents:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
MILLEDGEVILLE, GEORGIA, NOV. 23, 1855. }

To the House of Representatives:

I herewith transmit to the House of Representatives, the memorial of Rebecca B. B. Cohen and Perla S. Solomons, asking relief for services and expenditures made by Mordecai Sheftall, during the Revolutionary War, and especially to be remunerated for the value of a tract of land granted to said Sheftall in the year 1785, under Acts of the Legislature of 1784 and 1785, which was subsequently disposed of by lottery and granted to fortunate drawers. The memorial is addressed to me. I have no power to relieve the memorialists; but having looked into the subject, I entertain no doubt but the claim is meritorious. I therefore invite your attention to it, that it may receive such disposition as will comport with the principles of justice.

HERSCHEL V JOHNSON.

Mr. Lawton offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was taken up, read and agreed to, viz:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That a committee of five be appointed by the Chair to join such committee as may be appointed on the part of the Senate, to visit the Executive Mansion, and examine the condition, and report to this branch of the General Assembly, at as early a day as possible, what amount is necessary to repair, and what amount to supply such furniture as is needed for the same.

On motion of Mr. Harris of Dougherty, the rules were suspended, and the House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to authorize the county of Dougherty to aid in constructing the Georgia and Florida Railroad between Albany and Americus, or any other railroad running to said county, by subscription for stock and the issue of bonds therefor, upon a vote of the citizens. The report of the committee was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question, Shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 83, nays 40.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barton,	Caldwell of Pike,	Davis of Polk,
Bartlett,	Carlton,	Dorminy,
Bird,	Causey,	Dozier,
Boyd,	Cobb,	Faulk,
Bradford,	Cooper,	Gordon,
Browning,	Cottle,	Graham,
Burnett,	Crook,	Graves,
Butts,	Cunningham,	Griffith,

Harrell,	Lewis of Hancock,	Shipp,
Harris of Dough'ty,	Luke,	Slocumb,
Harris of Meriwe'r,	Matthews,	Solomon,
Headen,	McCants,	Smith of Clinch
Hilliard,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Smith of Hancock,
Hoyle,	McConnel of Gord'n	Smith of Tattnall,
Hughes,	McLenan,	Smith of Union,
Irvin,	Milledge,	Spinks,
Johnson of Carroll,	Mobley,	Stephens,
Johnson of Elbert,	Myers,	Swearingen,
Johnson of Henry,	Paris,	Terhune,
Jones of Lowndes,	Peterson,	Thompson,
Jones of Muscogee,	Pickett,	Thornton,
Jones of Warren,	Pofford,	Wood,
Julian,	Porter,	Walton,
Kilgore,	Powell,	Ward,
King of Fayette,	Richards,	Watts,
King of McIntosh,	Roberts,	Wiggins,
Kitchens,	Rozier,	Williams,
Lawton,	Rumph,	Wimberly
Those who voted in the negative are		Messrs.
Amiss,	Felton,	Parks,
Avery,	Fields,	Phinizy,
Barrett,	Hale,	Pruitt,
Barron,	Henderson,	Reid,
Battle,	Hill,	Sharman,
Beall,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Simmons,
Brantley,	Johnson of Cass,	Sinquefield,
Brown of Burke,	Kirkpatrick,	Stamper.
Brown of Talbot,	Lane,	Tatom,
Cannon,	Maynor,	Tharp.
Cornwell,	McClary,	Warthen,
Daniel,	Murphy,	Whitworth,
Davis of Bibb,	Owen,	Wynn.
Dawson,		

So the bill was passed.

On motion of Mr. Harris of Dougherty, the Clerk was directed to transmit the same to the Senate.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Kitchens, Wynn, McClary, Whitworth and Hudson of Harris, for a few days on special business; also to Mr. Caldwell of Walker on account of the extreme illness of a member of his family.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to improve the law of evidence, to allow parties in interest to testify, and for other purposes. The report of the Judiciary Committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on motion of Mr. Johnson of Cass, was recommitted. with the amendments offered thereto, to the Judiciary Committee.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Shipp and Harrell for a few days on special business.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, the House adjourned until $\frac{1}{4}$ of 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 24th, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Crook, the regular order was suspended and he offered the following resolution, which was taken up, read and agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor be requested to furnish this House, at his earliest convenience, a correct account of the several appropriations which have been made to literary and medical colleges in this State, together with the dates of said appropriations.

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom were referred bills to create new circuits, reported the same back to the House, and asked to be discharged from their further consideration. The same were referred to the Committee of one from each judicial circuit, appointed to equalize the labors in the several circuits of the State.

The Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of William M. Reese, reported a general bill on the subject as a substitute, and recommend its passage.

The Judiciary Committee, to whom the following bills were referred, report adversely to their passage, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to change the organization of the Inferior Courts of the several counties of this State ; and a bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act to amend the 3d section of an act passed the 19th December, 1822, entitled an act to amend the 26th section of the judiciary act passed the 16th Dec. 1799, and also to prevent a fraudulent enforcement of dormant judgments, approved Dec. 22, 1822, so as to read as follows : But the lien of such revived judgments on the property of the defendants thereto, shall operate only from the time of such revival.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Milledge in the Chair) on a bill to be entitled an act to endow the Atlanta Medical College. After some time spent therein, Mr. Milledge reported the bill back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and recommitted, when Mr. Lawton offered the following amendment, viz :

Be it farther enacted by the authority aforesaid, That a like sum of ten thousand dollars be and is hereby appropriated to the Savannah Medical College, to be paid over in the

same manner, and on the same conditions as are herein before mentioned.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill as amended was reported back by Mr. Milledge. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize Uriah Evins of Twiggs county to peddle in the county of Twiggs, and others therein mentioned. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act approved 7th Feb. 1854, to compensate the grand and petit jurors of Appling and Irwin counties, or so much thereof as relates to the county of Appling. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

Mr. Milledge offered the following resolution, which was read and laid on the table for the present:

Resolved by the Senate and House in General Assembly met, That both branches of the General Assembly will convene in the Representative Hall on Tuesday, 27th inst. at 11 o' clock, A. M. for the purpose of electing a State Printer for two years from the first day of November, 1857

Mr. Thornton presented a memorial for the relief of Jacob Land, which on his motion was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change the names and legitimize certain persons therein named, and for other purposes, which was reported by the Consolidation Committee as a substitute for several bills embracing the same subject matter. The same was adopted and the report agreed to.

Mr. Dawson offered to amend by changing the name of Mary Ann Elizabeth Jane Rainey to Mary Ann Elizabeth Jane Partridge. The amendment was adopted. The bill as amended was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the village of Ringgold in Walker, now Catoosa county, approved 27th Dec. 1847, to define the boundary of said village, and to confer certain powers upon the Commissioners of said village. On motion of Mr. McConeil of Catoosa, the same was laid on the table for the present.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change the name of Emily Akins to that of Emily Curry of Irwin county, to change the name of Eliza Jane Lindsay of Lowndes county to Eliza Jane McCraney; to change the names of Sarah Margaret Langdon, Eliza Frances Langdon, and Pierce Asbury Langdon to that

of Sarah Margaret Morris, Eliza Frances Morris and Pierce Asbury Morris, which was reported by the Consolidation Committee as a substitute for several bills to change the names of the persons herein mentioned. The same was adopted. The report was agreed to, and the bill was read the third time and passed.

The House also took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to add a part of originally Union county to the county of Gilmer, and to change the lines between the counties of Spalding and Pike, and to add a part of the county of Pike to the county of Spalding; also, to add lots of land numbers ninety-nine, one hundred and twenty-five, one hundred and twenty-six, and one hundred and twenty-seven, in the thirteenth district of Marion county, to the county of Sumter, which was offered as a substitute for several bills relative to the subject matter of this. The same was adopted. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to compel all persons residing out of the limits of the State of Georgia, and who own lands in any of the counties of this State, improved or unimproved, to give in and pay tax for the same in the county where the land lies. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of the county of Laurens to levy an extra tax for pauper purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Methodist Episcopal Church in Tattnall county, known as Brewton's Church. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to revise and amend the judiciary system of this State, and to enable suitors in the Superior and Inferior Courts of this State to obtain judgment in certain cases at the first Term of such Court. The report of the Judiciary Committee, adverse to the passage of the bill, was agreed to, and the same was therefore lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary of Meriwether county to pay arrearages due to the teachers of poor children in said county for services rendered in the years 1853, '4 and '5. On motion of Mr. Ward of Butts, the same, together with all of a similar nature, was referred to the Committee on Consolidation.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate a sum of money to remove obstructions from the Big Satilla River, and to render the same navigable for timber rafts, lumber, wood and produce thereon, and for other purposes therein mentioned. On motion of Mr Thornton, the same was referred to the Committee on Finance, together with an amendment offered thereto.

Mr. Lawton reported a bill to be entitled an act to grant the aid of the State of Georgia to certain incorporated railroad companies in the future prosecution of their works, upon certain conditions. The same was read the first time, and upon motion of Mr. Lawton, two hundred copies thereof were ordered to be printed.

Mr. Causey of Kinchafoonnee offered a bill to be entitled an act to alter and change the name of the county of Kinchafoonnee, and for other purposes therein specified, which was also read the first time.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of school teachers who taught any child or children entitled to the benefit of the poor school fund laws of this State, which child or children have not been returned as entitled to the same since the first of January, 1853. On motion of Mr. Irvin, the same was referred to the Committee on Public Education.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the 18th and 19th sections of the first article of the Constitution of the State of Georgia.

Mr. Irvin offered the following amendment, viz: "After this act shall have passed according to the requirements of the Constitution. The same was agreed to.

The report as amended was also agreed to, and the bill was read the third time. Upon the question, Shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were recorded, and are yeas 51, nays 27

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barron,	Causey,	Guyton,
Barton,	Cornwell,	Graves,
Bartlett,	Cottle,	Graybill,
Battle,	Crook,	Headen,
Beall,	Cunningham,	Henderson,
Boyd,	Daniel,	Hudson of Gwin'tt
Bradford,	Davis of Polk,	Irvin,
Brantley,	Dawson,	Johnson of Cass,
Brown of Burke,	Dorminy,	Johnson of Elbert,
Brown of Talbot,	Edenfield,	Jones of Lowndes,
Burnett,	Faulk,	Jones of Muscogee,
Carlton,	Gordon,	Jones of Warren,

Julian,	Mobley,	Smith of Clinch,
Kilgore,	Myers,	Smith of Tattnall,
King of Fayette,	Pofford,	Spinks,
Kirkpatrick,	Parks,	Stamper,
Lane,	Paris,	Swearingen,
Lawton,	Peterson,	Tatom,
Lewis of Hancock,	Pickett,	Tharpe,
Luke,	Porter,	Thornton,
Maynor,	Powell,	Wood,
McCants,	Pruitt,	Walton,
M'Connel of Catoosa,	Roberts,	Warthen,
McConnel of Gold'n,	Rozier,	Watts,
McLenan,	Rumph,	Wiggins,
McLean,	Sharman,	Williams,
Milledge,	Solomon,	Wimberly.

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Hale,	King of McIntosh,
Avery,	Harris of Dougherty,	Owen,
Barrett,	Harris of Fulton,	Phuizy,
Boykin of Troup,	Hill,	Reid.
Browning,	Hilliard,	Simmons.
Butts,	Hoyle,	Slocumb,
Cannon,	Hughes,	Stephens,
Cobb,	Johnson of Carroll,	Thompson,
Cooper,	Johnson of Henry,	Ward,
Graham,		

So the bill passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize any citizen of this State, when he may ferret out and discover frauds or forgeries in relation to the issuing of grants in the different lotteries of this State, to have a grant issued to him and in his name, by paying into the State Treasury the original grant fees. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Harris of Dougherty, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Lowe, Mr. Smith of Hancock, Mr. Matthews of Houston, and Mr. Johnson of Henry, on special business.

On motion of Mr. Irvin, the House adjourned until 10 o'clock Monday morning.

MONDAY, NOV 26th, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Mobley, so much of the Journals of Saturday as relates to the action of the House by which the

bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act to compensate the Grand and Pettit Jurors of Appling and Irwin counties, or so much thereof as relates to the county of Appling was lost, was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr Harris, of Fulton, so much of the Journals of Saturday was reconsidered as relates to the action of the House by which the bill to be entitled an act to endow the Atlanta Medical College, was lost.

On motion of Mr. Crook, the rules were suspended for the purpose of taking up a resolution of the Senate proposing the appointment of a joint committee for the purpose of enquiring into the number of assistant Clerks that are necessary to perform the business of the session, and the amount which the Secretary, Clerk and their assistants should receive as compensation for their services.

The following substitute was offered by Mr. Cannon, which was taken up, read and adopted, viz :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Georgia in General Assembly met, That a committee of five be appointed on the part of the House to join such committee as may be appointed on the part of the Senate, to ascertain what amount or number of Clerks is necessary for the Clerk of the House and Secretary of the Senate, and report thereon.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Watson for to-day ; Mr. Caldwell, of Pike, for a few days on special business, and to Mr. Edenfield for a few days, on account of the illness of his family.

The committee appointed to examine into the number of Clerks necessary. &c., are Messrs. Crook, Phillips, Cannon, Milledge and Jones of Muscogee.

On motion of Mr. Lawton, the rules were suspended and the House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to pardon John T Boyd, of the county of Muscogee, now under sentence of death.

Mr. Jones, of Muscogee, offered as a substitute, a bill to be entitled an act to commute the punishment of John T Boyd, of the county of Muscogee. The original bill being engrossed, the Speaker decided the substitute offered therefor to be out of order.

Mr. Thornton moved that the original bill be laid on the table for the present. Upon this motion the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 77, nays 33.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs :

Avery,	Battle,	Brown of Talbot,
Barnett,	Brantley,	Browning,
Barron,	Brown of Burke,	Burnett,
Barton,	Brown of Camden,	Cannon,

Causey,	Wimberly,	Powell,
Cornwell,	Irvin,	Pruitt,
Cottle,	Johnson of Carroll,	Reid,
Crook,	Johnson of Cass,	Richards,
Daniel,	Johnson of Elbert,	Bozier,
Davis of Polk,	Jones of Lowndes,	Sharman,
Durden,	Jones of Muscogee,	Simmons,
Faulk,	Jones of Warren,	Slocumb,
Gordon,	King of Fayette,	Solomon,
Guyton,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Hancock,
Graves,	Laue,	Smith of Union,
Graybill,	McCants,	Stamper,
Griffeth,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Swearingen,
Harris of Fulton,	M'Connel of Gord'n,	Tatom,
Harris of Meriwe'r,	McLelan,	Taylor,
Harrison,	Owen,	Tharpe,
Haynie,	Pofford,	Thompson,
Headen,	Parks,	Thornton,
Henderson,	Paris,	Wood,
Hili,	Peterson,	Wiggins,
Hilliard,	Phillips,	Williams,
Hughes,	Porter,	Wimberly,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs :

Boyd,	Hale,	Moore,
Bradford,	Hoyle,	Phinizy,
Carlton,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Pickett,
Cobb,	Julian,	Roberts,
Cooper,	Kilgore,	Rumph,
Cunningham,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Tattnall,
Dawson,	Lawton,	Spinks,
Dorminy,	Luke,	Stephens,
Dozier,	Maynor,	Ward,
Felton,	McLean,	Warthen,
Fields,	Milledge,	Watts.
Graham,		

So the motion was agreed to.

The following bills were reported and read the first time, viz :

Mr. Ward reported a bill to be entitled an act to define the duties and liabilities of commissioners, agents or employees of this State in the erection or repairs of public buildings, the payment of moneys, their oaths and the Governor's duties therein.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, the regular call of counties was suspended in order to allow him to offer the bill to be entitled an act to commute the punishment of John T. Boyd of the county of Muscogee, now under sentence of death for the crime of murder. The same was read the first time,

Mr. Lawton reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Chatham county to borrow money, and levy and collect an extraordinary tax for the building of a new Jail for said county.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Ladies German Benevolent Society of Savannah.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Rebecca B. B. Cohen and Pula S. Solomons, of Savannah, heirs of Moses and Mordicea Sheftall.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend the several rent laws of this State.

Mr. Pafford offered a bill to be entitled an act to amend the road laws of this State so far as relates to the county of Coffee.

Mr. Harris, of Fulton, reported a bill to be entitled an act the relief of Maliuda Davis, of the county of Fulton, and confer certain powers upon her.

Mr. Richards reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize Thomas H. Roberds, of the county of Carroll, to practice medicine and surgery in all their branches, in any county in this State, and charge and collect for the same, without license from the Medical Board of this State.

Mr. Lawton reported a Bill to be entitled an act to alter an act entitled an act to extend the civil jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace in the city of Savannah, and for other purposes, assented to 17th February, 1854.

Mr. Crook offered a bill to be entitled an act to compensate Peter Mason, of the county of Whitfield, for work and labor done, on the eighth section of the fifth division of the Western and Atlantic Railroad ; to appropriate money to pay the same and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Boyd reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the county of Hall and Lumpkin so as to include lot of land number one, in the eleventh district, in said county of Lumpkin.

Mr. Davis, of Polk, reported a bill to be entitled an act to divorce a certain person therein named and to change the name of the same.

Mr. Wiggins offered a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John Usry, of Warren county, Georgia.

Mr. Phinzy reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Joseph Landrum, of the county of Oglethorpe.

Mr. Barton reported a bill to be entitled an act to make valid the divorce of Mary E. Rice, alias Mary E. Arnett, from William J. Rice and to legalize the subsequent marriage between her and Bradford T. Arnett ; to legitimize the issue by the latter marriage and for other purposes.

Mr. Milledge reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize juries by their verdict in cases now punished with

death, to determine whether the punishment shall be death or perpetual imprisonment.

Mr. Wimberly reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Jeremiah J. Gafford, of the county of Stewart.

Mr. Simmons reported a bill to be entitled an act to consolidate the offices of Tax Receiver and Tax Collector of the county of Worth.

Mr. Fields, from the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following acts as duly enrolled, viz:

An act to authorize the State Treasurer to make certain advances ; and

An act to change the time of holding the Inferior Court in the county of DeKalk.

The following message was received from the Senate by Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills of the House of Representatives, to-wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the State Treasurer to make certain advances ; also

A Bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Inferior Court in the county of DeKalb, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

The Committee on Finance, through their chairman, Mr. Phillips, offered the following report, viz :

The Committee on Finance, in the discharge of a portion of their duties, have examined into the state of the Treasury department and office of Comptroller General, and find the books, vouchers, &c., kept with a neatness and perspicuity reflecting credit upon the officers of those departments.

We find the receipts into the Treasury from all sources since the close of the fiscal year 1854 up to the 20th October, 1855, including the amount in the Treasury at the first mention date, to have been

\$1,007,775 01

And the disbursements therefrom during the same period

441,428 20

Showing a balance in Treasury, October 20th, 1855, of

566,346 81

This amount has been increased by payment into the Treasury, up to 23d inst. of

93,337 41

Making an aggregate of

\$659,684 22

The receipts and disbursements were as follows,

From General Tax, 1853

73 47

“ General Tax, 1854

372,214 74

“ General Tax, 1855

7,394 35

Tax on Bank Stock received in 1855

25,257 48

Dividend on Bank Stock owned by the State

26,938 00

Tax on Foreign Banks

265 62

Tax on Railroads

5,894 72

Interest on Stock in Milledgeville and Gordon Railroad	600 00
From earnings of Western and Atlantic Railroad	100,000 00
Sale of Lands on Western Bank of the Chattahoochee	1,993 11
Sale of reverted Lots in originally Cherokee	19,302 00
Sale of State 6 per cent Bonds under act of 1854	48,500 00
Money drawn from contingent fund and returned	250 00
Fees on Grants in 1855	2,515 00
Copy Grants in 1855	465 00
Testimonials	185 00
Balance in Treasury on 21st Oct., 1854	395,925 91
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Showing the receipts within the past fiscal year to have been	1,007,775 01
To which add receipts up to the 23d Nov., 1855, consisting of the following items, viz:	
General Tax, 1854	3,509 34
General Tax, 1855	72,974 35
Tax on Bank Stock	2,287 22
Dividends on Bank Stock	9,165 00
Fees on Grants	329 00
Copy Grants	45 00
Testimonials	27 50
From Western and Atlantic Railroad	5,000 00
And we have as amount of receipts	\$1,101 337 42
During the same period the disbursements have been as follows up to the 20th Oct., 1856.	
Warrants on civil establishment, 1854	\$ 16,432 25
Civil establishment, 1855	34,576 25
Contingent fund for 1854	3,216 83
Contingent arrearages	568 07
Money drawn by J. D. Stell	250 00
Military fund 1854	748 61
Overpayments	1,302 53
Printing fund for 1854	3,882 15
Printing fund for 1855	518 20
Poor School fund 1854	21,705 00
Public Debt	177,936 43
Special appropriations by acts of 1853-'4	171,555 98
And from the 20th October, 1855, up to the 23rd November, 1855:	
Warrants on civil establishment	12,670 50
Contingent fund 1855	1,292 41
Military fund 1855	105 00
Overpayments	213 98

Printing fund	107 08
Special appropriations 1853-'4	14,112 50
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Showing the disbursements to have been	\$ 469,929 40
Which being deducted from receipts left in the Treasury on the 23rd inst.	\$ 631,183 02
Of this amount the following items are unavailable for meeting demands on the Treasury, viz:	
Stock Bank State of Georgia	\$ 183,300 00
In Bank of Augusta	89,000 00
In Georgia Railroad and Banking Company	18,600 00
In Milledgeville and Gordon Railroad	20,000 00
Darien Bank bills and other uncurrent funds	2,237 25
Western and Atlantic Railroad Script	4,784 75
Attorneys' Receipts for Bank bills suspended and broken	7,315 00
St. Marys and Commercial Bank notes	327 00
Amounting to	325,564 00
Which being deducted leaves	305,619 02
This sum has been further reduced by the following payments, viz:	
Coupons redeemed and on hand	31,305 00
Two State bonds redeemed and interest	1,020 00
Central Bank bonds redeemed and interest	73,876 37
Paid Hawden & Co., for Bond Plate	123 06
Central and Darien Bank notes	3,193 00
Amounting to	\$ 109,517 43
Which being deducted leaves the available assets in the Treasury	196,101 59
This consists of deposits in Banks	130,846 65
Cash in bills, gold and silver	65,254 94
Total	\$196,101 59

Preceeding committees have usually embraced in their reports estimates of the probable receipts and disbursements at the Treasury for the next ensuing two years, and under ordinary circumstances, it is practicable to approximate what amount will be required, but as there are many appropriations asked for and others of equal or greater importance behind, we decline for the present such estimate.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

On motion of Mr. Haynie, two hundred copies of the foregoing report were ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. Irvin, the House took up the following resolution which was read, agreed to and directed to be transmitted immediately to the Senate by the Clerk, viz:

Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Georgia, That His Excellency the Governor be and is hereby authorized to employ such counsel as in his judg-

ment may be necessary, to defend the suit instituted in the Supreme Court of the United States against the State of Georgia, to settle the boundary line between the States of Alabama and Georgia, and to draw his warrant upon the Treasury for such an amount as he may think proper to pay said counsel.

On motion of Mr. Barrett, the House adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to confer certain rights and privileges on Charles R. Jarrett, his heirs and assigns, for the term of twenty-five years. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to make final disposition of the assets of the Central Bank and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Crook offered the following resolution, which on his motion was taken up, read and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That the Committee on the State of the Republic be granted leave of absence for the evening, and that no bill in which they are interested shall be acted upon during their absence from the House.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize Charles Cowart, an infirm man of the county of Clinch, as an itinerant trader to vend any goods, wares and merchandize within the counties of Clinch and Lowndes without obtaining license for the same. The report was agreed to.

Mr. Jones of Lowndes, offered to amend by extending its provisions to Harman N. Sapp of the county of Lowndes.—The amendment was agreed to. The bill as amended was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to remit the State Tax to the amount of one hundred dollars of Solomon Page of Lee county, assessed to him by mistake of the Tax Receiver of that county.—The same on motion of Mr. Thornton, was referred to the Finance Committee.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to divorce Wyley Trusty of the county of Rabun, from his wife, Margaret Trusty, formerly Margaret Shelton. The report was agreed to.

Mr. Cottle proposed to amend by extending the provisions of the bill to Matthew A. Bolton of Sumter county, by divorcing him from his wife Delilah Bolton. The amendment was lost.

On motion of Mr. Harris of Fulton, the bill was laid upon the table.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Holmesville Lodge, Number one hundred and ninety-five, of Free and Accepted Masons of the town of Holmesville, Appling county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Atlanta Gas Light Company. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to consolidate Osborn and Poplar Hill precincts in Hancock county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to amend the patrol laws of this State, approved February 20th, 1854, so far as relates to the county of Glynn. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinaries in the several counties of this State to appoint one or more persons in each militia district to make out lists of poor school children, and for names to be added to the lists so made and returned.

On motion of Mr. Milledge, the same was referred to the Committee on Public Education.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Columbus Fire Company No. 4. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Columbus Iron Works Company. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change the organization of the Inferior Courts of the several counties of this State. The report of the Judiciary Committee adverse to its passage was agreed to, so the bill was lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Inferior Court of Spalding county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill

to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act entitled an act to carry into effect the amended Constitution of this State in reference to Ordinaries of this State, and for other purposes, assented to January 21st, 1852, so far as relates to the county of Tattnall. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed. ♦

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill for the relief of Mary F. Durand, wife of Samuel A. Durand of the town of Lagrange, county of Troup.

Mr. Hill of Troup, offered the following amendment which was agreed to.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That Martha E. Alford of the county of Troup, wife of James A. J. Alford, be and she is hereby authorized to carry on business on her own account, to purchase, hold and dispose of property in her own name, and for her own and sole use, to contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, as if she were a *femme sole* and that all her future acquisitions, by gift or purchase, shall be exempt from liability for the debts or contracts of her said husband and not subject to his control.

Mr. Harris of Fulton, offered the following amendment which was agreed to.

Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That Melinda Davis of the county of Fulton, wife of Larkin H. Davis, be and she is hereby authorized to contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, notwithstanding her coverture, as a *femme sole*, and that all property hereafter acquired by gift, purchase or inheritance, or in any other manner, and all such property as may have hitherto accrued to her by any of the means aforesaid, but not reduced to possession, shall be free from liability for the debts or contracts of her said husband, and shall vest absolutely in her, and she may dispose of the same by deed, grant, or will as though she were *femme sole*. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to remove an election precinct in the county of Campbell. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Decatur county to levy a tax for the purpose of paying the superintendents, clerks and those who consolidate the returns of elections of said county for their services. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to compel persons owning lands in the several counties of this State to give in their respective num-

bers and location. The same was on motion, referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to define the liability of the hirers of slaves at public hirings by executors, administrators, guardians, trustees, and agents. The same was also on motion, referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act entitled an act to amend the 3d section of an act passed the 19th December, 1822, entitled an act to amend the 26th section of the judiciary act passed the 16th Dec. 1799, and also to prevent fraudulent enforcements of dormant judgments, approved Dec. 22, 1822, so as to read as follows, first section last part, which reads as follows: But the lien of such revived judgment on the property of the defendants thereto, shall operate only from the time of such revival, but the lien of such revived judgments shall operate from the time of serving the defendant thereto with the scire facias. The report of the Judiciary Committee adverse to the passage of the same was agreed to and the bill was therefore lost.

On motion of Mr. Milledge, the House adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27th, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cannon offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was taken up, read and agreed to, viz:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the Messenger of the House be and he is hereby authorized to buy one dozen chairs for the use of the Members and Clerks on each side of the Speaker's Chair.

On motion of Mr. Lawton, the rules were suspended, and the bill to be entitled an act to commute the punishment of John T. Boyd, of the county of Muscogee, now under sentence of death for the crime of murder, was taken up and read the second time.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to compensate the grand and petit jurors of the county of Decatur. On motion of Mr. Irvin, the same was laid on the table for the present.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to reduce the number of jurors required for coroner's inquests in the county of Chatham — The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the

bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Margaret Marchman, formerly Margaret Watson of the county of Greene, and to change the name of said Margaret Marchman to that of Margaret Watson. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to define the liabilities of the husband for the debts of the wife, and to define the liabilities of property received through the wife for the debts of the husband existing at the time of marriage. On motion of Mr. Irvin, the same was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Phillips in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Indian Spring Male and Female Academies, to appoint trustees therefor, and appropriate three thousand dollars to erect academic buildings. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the bill back to the House without amendment. The same was on motion referred to the Committee on Education.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Phillips in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate one hundred dollars to be refunded to Samuel Walker of Fulton county, who paid that amount over and above his lawful tax to the State in 1854. After some time spent therein the committee arose, and through their Chairman reported the bill back to the House without amendment.—The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Felton, the rules were suspended, when he offered the following resolution, which was taken up, read, agreed to, and ordered to be transmitted to the Senate immediately by the Clerk, viz:

Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor of this State be requested to extend the respite of John T. Boyd of the county of Muscogee, now under sentence of death, for the period of ten days.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Phillips in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate a sum of money to remove obstructions from the Big Satilla River, and to render the same navigable for timber rafts, lumber, wood and produce thereon, and for other purposes therein mentioned. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the bill back to the House with the following amendment, offered by Mr. Pofford, which was agreed to: Strike out the words "five thousand," and insert "three thousand." The report of the Finance Committee as amended, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the

bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Georgia White Path Gold and Copper Mining Company of Northwestern Georgia.

The following amendment was offered by Mr. Phillips, and agreed to, viz :

Be it further enacted, That each member of said incorporation shall be held jointly and severally liable for the debts of said incorporation to the amount of the stock he, she or they may hold in said incorporation.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to define and point out the duty of superintendents of the general elections in this State in certain cases, being an act amendatory of the act of the 11th Feb. 1789, and the acts amendatory thereof. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time. Mr. Phillips moved that the same be laid upon the table for the balance of the session, and also called the previous question. Upon the motion to lay on the table for the remainder of the session, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 74, nays 43.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Headen,	Phillips,
Avery,	Henderson,	Phinizy,
Barrett,	Hilliard,	Pickett,
Barron,	Hoyle,	Pruitt,
Beall,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Reid,
Boyd,	Hughes,	Richards,
Bradford,	Irvin,	Roberts,
Brown of Burke,	Johnson of Carroll,	Rozier,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Elbert,	Rumph,
Browning,	Jones of Lowndes,	Simmons,
Cobb,	Jones of Warren,	Slocumb,
Cooper,	Julian,	Smith of Clinch
Crook,	Kilgore,	Smith of Union,
Cunningham,	King of Fayette,	Spinks,
Daniel,	King of McIntosh,	Stamper,
Davis of Polk,	Lawton,	Stephens,
Dorminy,	Luke,	Swearingen,
Dozier,	Maynor,	Taylor,
Faulk,	McConnel of Gord'n	Thompson,
Fields,	McLean,	Wood,
Graham,	Mobley,	Ward,
Graves,	Myers,	Warthen,
Griffith,	Owen,	Watts,
Harrison,	Parks,	Whitworth.
Haynie,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barton,	Battle,	Boykin of Troup,
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Brantley,	Hale,	Pafford,
Brown of Talbot,	Harris of Fulton,	Paris,
Butts,	Harris of Meriwe'r	Peterson,
Canon,	Hill,	Sharman,
Carlton,	Hudson of Harris	Solomon,
Causey,	Johnson of Cass,	Smith of Hancock
Cornwell,	Jones of Muscogee,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cottle,	Kirkpatrick,	Tatom,
Dawson,	Lane,	Thornton
Durden,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Walton,
Felton,	McLenan,	Wiggins,
Gordon,	Milledge,	Williams,
Guyton,	Moore,	Wimberly
Graybill,		

So the motion prevailed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of William M. Reese, for which the following substitute was offered by the Judiciary Committee, and adopted, viz: A bill to be entitled an act to allow trustees to make returns to the Court of Ordinary. The report of the Judiciary Committee was agreed to. The substituted bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize persons owning or who may hereafter own lands on any water course in this State to ditch and embank the same, so as to protect said lands from freshets and overflows. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Watts offered the following bills, which were read the first time, viz:

A bill to be entitled an act to lay out and form a new county out of the counties of Campbell and Carroll, and to organize the same.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to add a part of the county of Fayette to the county of Campbell, and to change the line between the counties of Coweta and Campbell, and for other purposes.

Mr. Thornton offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was taken up, read, agreed to, and ordered to be transmitted to the Senate by the Clerk, viz:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Georgia in General Assembly met, That his Excellency the Governor be, and he is hereby authorized and required to have the State Capitol insured to the amount of forty thousand dollars, providing the same can be done at rates not exceeding one and a half per cent.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Lewis of Hancock on account of ill health.

On motion of Mr. Irvin, the House adjourned until 3 o'clock P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker being absent on account of ill health, Mr. Milledge took the Chair.

The following Senate bills were read the first time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to add a part of the county of Ware to the county of Charlton.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Brunswick Improvement Company, passed on the 9th February, 1854.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, the Committee on Privileges were granted leave of absence for the evening.

The following bills of the Senate were read the first time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to fix the dignity and prescribe the order in which debts due by deceased persons shall be paid. On motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, one hundred and fifty copies of the same were ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Union Coal and Iron Company, and the Georgia Coal Mining Company.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, the rules were suspended, when he offered a bill to be entitled an act to confirm and ratify the action of the Superior Court of Muscogee county in granting charters to the Muscogee Building and Loan Association, the Columbus Building and Loan Association, and to legalize the acts of said Associations, which was read the first time.

The following bills of the House were read the second time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to extend the jurisdiction of magistrates' Courts within the corporate limits of the city of Augusta to fifty dollars, which, on motion of Mr. Dawson, was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the several acts relating to the Savannah and Albany Railroad Company. On motion of Mr. Lawton, the same was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvement.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the Constitution of this State, and provide for annual sessions of the General Assembly.

A bill to be entitled an act to carry into effect the 13th section of the 4th article of the Constitution of the State of Ga.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to settle and fix the hours of labor by all white persons, under twenty-one years of age, in all cotton, woollen and other manufacturing establishments in this State and to make all contracts to labor in said factories for a greater length of time than herein prescribed null and void, and to punish vi-

ulations of this act, so far as relates to the county of Chattooga.

A bill to be entitled an act to endow the Southern Botanical Medical College at Macon, Georgia. On motion the same was referred to a special committee consisting of Messrs. Davis of Bibb, Crook, Thornton, Irvin and Ward.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Henry W Pitts, Isaac B. Cox, George W Hays, and John W Perkinson. The same was, on motion of Mr. Johnson of Cass, referred to the Committee on Petitions.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Catoosa to levy an extra tax for county purposes, upon the recommendation of the Grand Jury of said county.

A bill to be entitled an act to add additional sections to the fourteenth division of the Penal Code of the State of Georgia. The same was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act to exempt all persons over forty-five years of age from patrol duty, and to shorten the time of service of patrol companies from six to three months.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to alter and amend the several judiciary acts now in force in this State, so far as relates to justices' courts, and to enlarge the jurisdiction of justices of the peace in Fulton county.

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent the spread of distemper among cattle, and for other purposes therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the several judiciary acts now in force in this State, so far as relates to justices' courts, approved December 14th, 1811. The same was on motion referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Exchange Bank of the State of Georgia. The same was on motion referred to the Committee on Banks.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the line dividing the counties of Coweta and Meriwether. The same was referred, under a rule of the House, to the Committee on Consolidation.

A bill to be entitled an act to legitimize certain children therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to lay off and organize a new county from the counties of Lowndes, Irwin and Coffee, to be called Shields county, to attach said new county to the Southern Judicial Circuit, to the Second Brigade and Sixth Division Georgia Militia, which on motion was referred to the Committee on New Counties.

A bill to be entitled an act to compensate the Grand and Petit Jurors of the county of Clay.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the building, opening and constructing a railroad from some point in the

county of Union or in the county of Fannin, which may be agreed upon by the Directors of said railroad, or a majority of them hereinafter mentioned, running up the valley of Little Hightower river in the county of Union, to connect with the Northeastern Railroad (now contemplated) in the county of Rabun or Habersham, or with some other railroad or contemplated railroad, and to grant corporate powers and privileges to the same, which was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvement.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Bibb County Orphan Asylum.

A bill to be entitled an act to give to tinnners, plumbers and gas-fitters the benefit of an act entitled an act to give to masons and carpenters an incumbrance for debts on account of work done and materials furnished in building and repairing houses and the premises to which they may be attached, and to repeal all laws on the subject, so far as relates to the counties of Richmond, McIntosh, and in the cities of Savannah, Macon and Columbus, assented to Dec. 22d, 1834, and of the laws amendatory thereof, which on motion was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act to make and constitute Anistatia Lorentine Horn, wife of Alfred Horn of the county of Bibb, a sole trader.

The following message was received from His Excellency the Governor, by Mr. de Graffenried, his Secretary, which was taken up and read :

Mr. Speaker :—The Governor has approved and signed the following acts, which have been deposited in the office of Secretary of State.

An act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Washington county to revise their jury box, and for other purposes.

An act to change the times of holding the Inferior Court in the county of DeKalb, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An act to authorize the State Treasurer to make certain advances.

I am also directed to deliver to the House of Representatives a communication in writing :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
MILLEDGEVILLE, GEO., Nov. 26, 1855. }

To the House of Representatives :

To the Resolution of the House of Representative, requesting me to furnish you with "a correct account of the several appropriations which have been made to literary and medical colleges in this State, together with the dates of said appropriations," I have the honor to communicate the following response.

By an act of the Legislature, approved February the 25th, 1784, "for laying out two or more counties to the westward," the county surveyor was directed to lay out in each county twenty thousand acres of land, of the first quality, in separate tracts of five thousand acres each, for the endowment of a college and seminary of learning. Under this act two counties, Franklin and Washington, were laid out, and consequently forty thousand acres of land dedicated to the permanent endowment of the State University.

By the appropriation act of 27th November, 1802, \$5,000 were loaned to the Trustees of the University of Georgia, to aid in the erection of collegiate buildings, on the Trustees giving bond with security, to be approved by the Governor, to return the same within five years with lawful interest thereon, and on condition that previous to receiving the same, should deposite in the Executive Office a full, complete and unconditional relinquishment from Daniel Easley of all claims or title whatever to the lands conveyed by him to John Milledge, Esq., for the use and benefit of the University, against the said Daniel Easley, his heirs, executors and administrators forever.

In 1818, by an act approved December 16th, several tracts of the University land, lying respectively in the counties of Greene, Oglethorpe, Clark and Franklin, were authorized to be sold and the proceeds vested in some profitable stock. These lands were sold on a credit, and the payment secured by bonds and mortgages.

By an act approved December 18th, 1816, the Legislature loaned to the State University \$10,000 upon the faith of those bonds and mortgages.

By a resolution approved December the 18th, 1819, the Legislature appropriated, by way of donation, \$2,000 to build a house for a grammar school, connected with the State University.

For a permanent endowment of the University of Georgia, the Legislature by an act approved December the 21st, 1821, provided for the certain payment of \$8,000 per annum. In relation to this, it is proper to observe, that this sum was to be raised from the dividends arising from the bank stock granted to the University, and that said bank stock was secured to the institutions in consideration of the proceeds of sale of the lands which was made under the act of 1815, before alluded to. In the event that the dividends arising from the bank stock, should not be equal to the sum of \$8,000, the Treasurer was required to make up the deficiency semi-annually out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. It is believed, however, that the dividends rarely if ever fell short, and frequently went over the amount, so that the University is not a debtor to the Treasury on this score.

The 2d section of the same act authorized the Trustees of Franklin College to collect and retain the sum of \$10,000 from the fund arising from the sale of fractional surveys previous to the year 1821.

The 3d section of the same act directed the sum of \$15,000 of the funds arising from the sale of its lands to be paid to the Treasurer of the University. These two sums were directed to be applied, under the direction of the Trustees, to the building of a new collegiate edifice at Athens.

In the early part of 1830, the edifice erected with the sums above stated was burned down; and by an act approved December the 21st, 1830, the sum of \$10,00 was loaned to the Trustees of the University for the purpose of rebuilding and replacing the library and instruments.

The same act appropriated annually to the University, as an absolute donation, the sum of \$6,000 for the purpose of enabling the Board of Trustees to rebuild the College, replace the library and instruments, which were destroyed by fire, and for the purpose of defraying the annual expenses of the College. This annual appropriation was repealed by the provisions of an act approved December the 2d, 1841. Hence the University received from the State under the act of the 21st December, 1830, up to December the 2d, 1841, when it was repealed, the aggregate amount of \$66,000.

Such is a brief summary of our legislation in relation to the pecuniary aid given to our University by the State. It appears that all the advances, except in two instances, were made upon the credit of the sales of the University lands, which constituted its original endowment under the act of 1784; and in the memorial of the Trustees, laid before the Legislature, it is distinctly asserted, that "the State Treasury has been reimbursed for these appropriations out of the 40,000 acres of land before referred to." Hence, all that has been actually appropriated by the State to the University of Georgia, is the original endowment of 40,000 acres of land, from which it has realized the nett sum of \$100,000, which constitutes its present endowment; \$2,000 to build a grammar school, under the act of the 18th December, 1819, and \$66,000 under the act of December 21st, 1830—amounting, in the aggregate, to \$168,000.

By an act approved December the 20th, 1833, the Legislature appropriated \$10,000 for the use and benefit of the Medical Institute of the State of Georgia, and also fifty lots on the town common of Augusta. I am uninformed as to whether these lots have been sold, and if sold, what amount was realized by the sale.

The sum of \$5,000 was appropriated by the act approved January 21st, 1852, for the use and benefit of the Southern Botanical Medical College of the State of Georgia.

In the hurry of investigation, slight errors may have been

committed, but it is believed that the foregoing is a substantially correct reply to the Resolution of the House.

HERSCHEL V JOHNSON.

On motion of Mr. Crook, two hundred copies of the Governor's communication relative to the aid which has been afforded by the State to literary and medical colleges within her limits, were ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

The following bills were also read the second time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for the Medical College of Georgia. The same was on motion referred to the Committee on Finance.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Cusseta in the county of Chattahoochee, and to render the county site permanent, and to appoint an Intendant and Commissioners, and regulate the duty of the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to amend the tenth Division of the penal laws of this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to retain the State tax of the county of Warren for the year 1855, and to appropriate the same to county purposes as hereinafter directed.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Joseph L. Robinson of the county of Appling. The same was referred to the Committee on Finance.

A bill to be entitled an act for the protection, in certain cases, of wool sellers within the State of Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act to simplify the method of carrying cases to the Supreme Court, and for other purposes. On motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, the same was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Spencer Caldwell of the county of Clay.

A bill to be entitled an act to legalize certain warrants for lands, and to constitute the Inferior Court of Effingham county a Land Court, &c. On motion of Mr. Porter, the same was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Haynie offered a resolution fixing the time of meeting and adjournment of the House.

Before any definite action was taken on said resolution, on motion of Mr. Crook, the House adjourned until 10 o'clock to morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, NOV 28th, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Owing to the continued illness of the Speaker, on motion of Mr. Phillips, Mr. Milledge was chosen Speaker pro tem.

The following resolution of Mr. Haynie, which on yesterday was taken up and read, was agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That the House shall meet after to-day at 9½ A. M. and adjourn at 1½ P. M. until otherwise determined.

The following Message was received from the Senate by Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act to alter, amend and explain section 4th of an act for prevention of frauds and perjuries, approved Feb. 20th, 1854. Also,

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Campbell and Fayette so as to include the residence of Nathan Camp, now in the county of Fayette, in the county of Campbell, approved February 20th, 1854.

The following bills were reported and read the first time. viz:—

Mr. Lawton reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the name of the Augusta and Waynesboro Railroad to the Augusta and Savannah Railroad, to amend the charter of said Company, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend the eleventh section of the Judiciary act of this State, passed 16th February, 1799.

Mr. Pafford reported a bill to be entitled an act to reduce the bonds of the Sheriff of the county of Coffee to the sum of eight thousand dollars.

Mr. Pickett reported a bill to be entitled an act to prevent any person from throwing dead stock or other dead carcasses in Cotucay river, or timber that would be likely to create drifts, &c., together with a petition relative to this subject.

Mr. Barrett reported a bill to be entitled an act to repeal the first section of an act entitled an act to grant exemptions to cavalry corps, &c., approved 22d Jan. 1852, so far as the same relates to the county of Gordon.

Mr. Dozier reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Ward H. Wakefield & Co. of Clay county.

Mr. Myers offered a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the school commissioners of the county of Hart to pay arrearages due Charles Alexander for the tuition of poor children of said county in the year 1854, and for other purposes.

Mr. Hudson reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John W. Alexander.

Mr. Dorminy reported a bill to be entitled an act to exempt all blind persons from taxation, and to provide for the same.

Mr. Phillips offered a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for the support of Government during the political years 1856 and 1857.

Mr. Jones of Lowndes offered a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Caroline McGill, wife of Archibald McGill.

and daughter of John Hargroves of the county of Ware.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker :—I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred in the resolution of the House of Representatives in relation to the respite of John T. Boyd.

The Committee on Privileges and Elections, through their Chairman, Mr. Browning, report they have examined the contested election returns from the county of Rabun, and it is the opinion of the Committee that Horace W. Cannon was duly elected. On motion, the same was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, the Clerk was directed to inform the Senate that on account of the illness of the Speaker, the House have elected Mr. Milledge Speaker pro tem.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John W. Carlton of the county of Fulton, who received serious injury whilst in the employ of the State. On motion of Mr. Terhune, the same was again referred to a special committee previously appointed for its consideration.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to prevent droves of neat cattle from being driven thro' the county of Catoosa for speculative purposes.

The following substitute was reported by the special committee to whom the original bill was referred, viz:

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent the driving of neat cattle, for speculative purposes, through the counties of Catoosa, Chattooga, Fannin, Gilmer, Gordon, Pickens, Walker and Whitfield. The substitute was adopted, and the report of the committee was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the Constitution of this State, and provide for annual sessions of the General Assembly thereof. On motion the same was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to legitimize certain children therein named.

The following amendment was offered and agreed to, viz:

"And be it further enacted, That the name of Francis S. Dorsey of the county of Clark be changed to that of Frank Dorsey."

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the laws of this State relative to imprisonment for debt. On motion of Mr. Terhune, the same was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to add an additional section to the penal code. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change the residence of John W. Darracott from the county of Warren to the county of Taliaferro. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Spencer Caldwell of the county of Clay. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to prevent the spread of distemper among cattle, and for other purposes therein named. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to alter and amend the several judiciary acts now in force in this State, so far as relates to justices' courts, and to enlarge the jurisdiction of justices of the peace in Fulton county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to exempt all persons over forty-five years of age from patrol duty, and to shorten the time of service of patrol companies from six to three months. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Catoosa to levy an extra tax for county purposes, upon the recommendation of the Grand Jury of said county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to amend the 10th division of the penal laws of this State.

The following amendment was offered by Mr. Harris of Fulton, and agreed to, viz:

"And that all persons now prosecuted under the provisions of said act be absolved from all the pains and penalties prescribed in said act, and be discharged from further prosecution on any indictment now pending in any Court in this State."

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the

bill to be entitled an act for the protection, in certain cases, of wool sellers within the State of Georgia.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee offered the following amendment, which was lost, viz :

“And be it further enacted, That this act shall apply to all goods, wares and merchandize hereafter sold.”

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to make and constitute Anistatia Lorentine Horn, wife of Alfred Horn of the county of Bibb, a sole trader. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Bibb County Orphan Asylum. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to retain the State tax of the county of Warren for the present year, 1855, and to appropriate the same for county purposes as herein directed. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the village of Ringgold in Walker, now Catoosa county, approved 27th Dec. 1847, to define the boundary of said village, and to confer certain powers upon the Commissioners of said village.

Mr. Terhune offered the following amendment, which was agreed to, viz :

“Provided nothing in this act shall be so construed as to allow the said Commissioners to refuse a license to any one applying and complying with the ordinances of said town of Ringgold.”

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The following bills of the House were read the second time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to abolish the precinct at Wilna and the one at Jackson's Spring in Houston county, and to establish a precinct at Sperry's Store in said county.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Sandy Run Academy in the county of Houston, and to appoint trustees for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Hardy Smith of the county of Laurens, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the laws of this State pertaining to Ordinaries, Courts of Ordinary, Exe

cutors, Administrators and Guardians, and to make provision for a public Administrator and Escheater. The same was referred to the Judiciary Committee, and one hundred and sixty copies thereof ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding Twiggs Superior Court. The same, on motion of Mr. Dawson, was referred to the special Committee on Judicial Circuits.

A bill to be entitled an act declaratory of the intention of the act entitled an act for the relief of honest debtors, approved on the 19th December, 1823.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for paying the delegates sent by the authority of the State of Georgia to the Convention of the people of the slaveholding States, held at Nashville in June, 1850. The same, on motion of Mr. Dawson, was referred to the Committee on the State of the Republic.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Randolph College, Cuthbert, Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the 7th section of the charter of the city of Griffin, and to abolish the salary of the mayor of said city, and to reduce the salaries of the clerk and marshal of said city; also to restrict the power of said mayor and council in the taxation of negro mechanics, and for other purposes. The same was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Paulding county to levy an additional tax on the State tax not exceeding two hundred per centum.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act assented to 24th December, 1847, entitled an act to incorporate the Muscogee Asylum for the Poor, to make provision for their support, and authorize the Inferior Court of Muscogee county to bind out poor children to said corporation under certain circumstances, and to provide for their education.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and change the name of the county of Kinchabonee, and for other purposes therein specified.

A bill to be entitled an act to compensate Almon Gwinn for the apprehension and delivery of William Mitchell, a fugitive from justice, and to appropriate money for the same. This bill was referred to the Committee on Finance.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Polk to levy an extra tax for county purposes, upon recommendation of the Grand Jury of said county.

A bill to be entitled an act to confer certain privileges upon Francis M. Sweatman of Thomas county, and render him capable of transacting business for himself.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary of the county of Upson to pay Arthur Moore the amount of his account for teaching poor children in said county in the year 1852. The same was referred to the Committee on Consolidation.

A bill to be entitled an act to grant the aid of the State of Georgia to certain incorporated railroad companies in the future prosecution of their works, upon certain conditions. The same was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvement.

A bill to be entitled an act to define the duties and liabilities of commissioners, agents or employees of this State in the erection or repairs of public buildings, the payment of money, their oaths and the duty of the Governor therein. The same was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

And a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Chatham county to borrow money and levy and collect an extraordinary tax for the building of a new Jail for said county.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor, through Mr. de Graffenreid, his Secretary:

Mr. Speaker:—I am directed by his Excellency the Governor to transmit to the House of Representatives a communication in writing:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
MILLEDGEVILLE, GEORGIA, NOV. 28, 1855. }

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

Agreeably to your request, as communicated to me by joint resolution, I have the honor to state that I have this day extended the respite of John T. Boyd until Friday, the 14th day of next month.

HERSCHEL V. JOHNSON.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Causey, and the following bills were reported and read the first time, viz:

Mr. Causey reported a bill to be entitled an act that all free persons of color remaining within the limits of the State of Georgia from and after the twenty-fifth day of December, 1856, shall be sold into servitude, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Carlton reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of William G. Barrett, a teacher of poor children in the county of Clark.

Mr. Guyton offered a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the Commissioners of the Oconee river, and to appropriate money for the same.

Mr. Lawton reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Robert McIntire of the county of Chatham. On motion of Mr. Lawton, the same was referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion of Mr. Lawton, leave of absence was granted to the Speaker for a few days on account of ill health.

Leave of absence was also granted to Messrs. Porter, Avery, Causey, Reid, Stamper, Kilgore, Cobb of Dooly, Bartor, Harrison, Brown of Burke, and Hale, for a few days on special business.

Mr. Phillips reported a bill to be entitled an act to levy and collect a tax for each of the political years 1856 and 1857, and thereafter until repealed.

Mr. Thornton reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Treasurer to pay over to the Ordinary of Chatahoochee county, or his agent, the poor school fund for the year 1854.

Mr. Phinzy reported a bill to be entitled an act to alter an act entitled an act to alter and amend the several acts in relation to itinerant traders, and to prescribe the mode of their obtaining license.

Mr. Rumph reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the the Inferior Court of the county of Wayne, on the recommendation of the Grand Jury of said county, to levy an extra tax to be applied to common school purposes, to appoint commissioners, and for other purposes therein specified.

The following Senate bills were read the first time ;

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Campbell and Fayette, so as to include the residence of Nathan Camp, now in the county of Fayette, in the county of Campbell, approved February 20th, 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to alter, amend and explain section 4th of an act entitled an act for the prevention of frauds and perjuries.

The following Senate bills were read the second time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Brunswick Improvement Company, passed on the 9th February, 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act to add a part of the county of Ware to the county of Charlton.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Union Coal and Iron Company of Georgia, and the Georgia Coal Mining Company, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Banks.

A bill to be entitled an act to fix the dignity and prescribe the order in which debts due by deceased persons shall be paid which on motion was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, the House adjourned until 10 o'clock, Friday morning.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. McLean, so much of the Journals of Wednesday was reconsidered as relates to the rejection of the bill to be entitled an act for the protection in certain cases of wool sellers within the State of Georgia.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Warren, so much of the Journals of Wednesday was reconsidered as relates to the rejection of a bill to be entitled an act to retain the State Tax of the county of Warren for the present year 1855, to appropriate the same for county purposes as herein directed.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Davis of Bibb, Cooper of Walton, Faulk. Phinizy and Wiggins, for a few days on account of special business.

The following bills were reported and read the first time, viz:

Mr. Cook reported a bill to be entitled an act to regulate criminal proceedings, fees of Attorneys and Solicitors General and to repeal all laws authorizing the settlement of criminal cases, and to make penal the same, and to vest the discretion exercised by the Judges of the Superior Courts in the Juries and for other purposes. Also

A bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Chattooga and Walker; and a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for certain purposes therein mentioned, and for other purposes.

Mr. Brown of Camden, reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Jefferson in the county of Camden, and for other purposes; also,

A bill to be entitled an act to establish the right of any person or persons and of administrators, executors and guardians claiming an undivided interest in land to maintain a separate action of ejectment for the same.

Mr. Harris of Fulton, reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Osborne J. Register of the county of Fulton.

Mr. Hudson of Gwinnett, reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to authorize certain person therein named to clear out and improve the navigation of the Chattahoochee river above the Western and Atlantic Railroad and for other purposes therein named, approved January 12, 1852.

Mr. Phillips offered a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Line Church, a Baptist Church on or near the line of Habersham county.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock, offered a bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act entitled an act to compel the Judges of the Superior Courts of this State to convene at the Seat of Government in this State once in each year, for the purpose of establishing uniform rules of practice throughout this State, passed the 24th day of December, 1821. Also

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the education of the youth of Georgia in the rudiments of an English educa-

tion. On motion of Mr. Phillips, two hundred copies of the same were ordered to be printed.

Mr. Lane reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Houston Lodge No. 98, of Free and accepted Masons and for other purposes therein named.

Mr. Johnson of Henry, reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Edward Stanfield of Henry county.

Mr. Hill of Troup, offered a bill to be entitled an act to change the county line between Heard and Troup.

Mr. Lawton reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate a Bank in the city of Savannah to be called the Mechanics and Traders' Bank, approved February 17, 1854.

Mr. Boyd offered a resolution relative to granting leave of absence to members of the House in the future.

The committee to whom certain bills were referred authorizing the Ordinaries of the counties of Butts, Early and Upson to pay certain poor school accounts, beg leave to report.

They have consolidated the same in a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinaries of certain counties therein named to pay certain poor school accounts, which they herewith present without an opinion as to its merits, having doubts of their power.

The following message was received from the Governor, by Mr. de Graffenried, his Secretary, which was read and on motion of Mr. Irvin, referred to the Judiciary Committee:

Mr. Speaker:—I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the House of Representatives a communication in writing with accompanying documents.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT. }
MILLEDGEVILLE, GEO., Nov. 30, 1855. }

To the House of Representatives :

The Legislature, by an act approved 22 December, 1840, incorporated the Cross Plains and Red Clay branch Railroad company of Georgia, for the purpose of constructing a branch Railroad from such point of the Western and Atlantic Railroad as may best suit said company, at or near Cross Plains, to the Tennessee State line, at or near Red Clay, to the southern terminus of the Hiwassee Railroad, of the State of Tennessee.

The 10th section of that act, reserved to any future General Assembly, if they should deem advisable, to repeal the same; and declared, that if it be repealed, the stockholders shall be paid for their work, investments and improvements at a fair valuation, to be made by an equal number of disinterested persons appointed on the part of the State, in said repealing act, or by the Governor and by said stockholders, *Provided*, the said company shall commence, in good faith,

active operations on said Road, within twelve months after the passage of said act; and if they do not, their Charter shall be forfeited to all intents and purposes; and *provided further*, that if said company shall sell said Charter to any other company, the Charter shall be forfeited.

In 1847, by an act approved December the 23d, the Legislature authorized the Hiwassee Railroad company of the State of Tennessee, to extend their Railroad from the Tennessee line to some point on the Western and Atlantic Railroad of the State of Georgia. This company located their Road, as extended into Georgia, nearly on the same line, run and selected by the Cross Plains and Red Clay Railroad company, so as to create an entire conflict between the two. Hence, it becomes a grave question whether the granting of the former is a repeal of the latter charter. The point is suggested, not for the purpose of argument, but to make the subject of this communication as intelligible as may be compatible with reasonable length.

The act approved December the 5th, 1849, may be looked to as throwing some light upon the question. That act changes the name of the Cross Plains and Red Clay branch Railroad company, to that of the Union branch Railroad company, and in express terms, repeals the 9th and 10th sections of the original act of incorporation. In other words, it revives the original charter and revokes the reserved right of the Legislature to repeal the same.

This summary glance at the Legislation concerning these two Railroad companies, brings me to the main object of this communication.

In the spring of 1854, James Edmondson, the President of the Union branch Railroad company, called my attention to this subject; complained of serious damages sustained in consequence of the act of 1847, authorizing the Hiwassee Railroad company of Tennessee, to extend their Road to Dalton, and asked the appointment of a disinterested person, on the part of the State, to unite with a disinterested person on the part of the company, to make a valuation of such damages. Without pretending to decide authoritatively that the Legislation of 1847 was of such a character as to render the State liable to said company for their work, investments and improvements, as contemplated by the 10th section of their original charter, I felt it but an act of justice to comply with his request. I therefore appointed William S. Rockwell, Esq., to perform that service. It turned out that the Union branch Railroad company declined to appoint, and through their President, James Edmondson, Esq., agreed that Mr. Rockwell should investigate and report upon the claim for damages.

I have the honor herewith, to communicate that report, together with the points agreed upon, as the basis of examin-

ation and settlement. He values the work, investments and improvements at \$6,616 10, which it is the duty of the State to pay, if the Legislature should be of opinion that the act of 1847, granting conflicting rights to the Hiwassee Railroad, creates the liability contemplated by the 10th section of the original charter of the Union branch company. I respectfully commend the subject to your favorable consideration.

You will not fail to discover from your investigation of the subject, that the labor of Mr. Rockwell was arduous and complicated. I therefore, respectfully ask an appropriation for his liberal compensation.

HERSCHEL V JOHNSON.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Coweta and Meriwether.

Mr. Fields offered the following amendment which was agreed to, viz : That the line between the county of Pickens and Cherokee be so changed as to add lot of land number 133, in the 23d district, 2d second section to Cherokee county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to abolish the Precincts at Wilua and the one at Jackson's Store in Houston county and to establish a Precinct at Sperry's Store in said county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Sandy Run Academy in the county of Houston and to appoint Trustees for the same. The report of the committee was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend an act assented to 24th December, 1847, entitled an act to incorporate the Muscogee Asylum for the Poor ; to make provision for their support and authorize the Inferior Court of Muscogee county to bind out poor children to said corporation under certain circumstances, and to provide for their education. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinaries of certain counties therein named to pay certain poor school accounts, which was reported by the consolidation committee in lieu of several bills relative to the subject matter of this. On motion the same was laid on the table for the present.

On motion of Mr. Thornton, the House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of school teachers who taught any child or children

entitled to the benefit of the poor school fund laws of this State, which child or children have not been returned as entitled to the same since the first of January, 1853. On motion of Mr. Irvin, the same with all bills of a similar nature were referred to the committee on education and instructions to report a general bill on the subject.

On motion of Mr. Parris, the rules were suspended and he offered a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Nickajack Railroad and Mining company, which was read the first time.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Randolph College, Cuthbert, Georgia. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be intitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Paulding county to levy an additional Tax on the State Tax not exceeding two hundred per centum. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Chatham county to borrow money and levy and collect an extraordinary Tax for the building of a new Jail for said county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Phillips offered a resolution relative to the introduction of new matter in this House after Friday next, which was taken up, read and on motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, laid on the table for the present.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Polk county to levy an extra Tax for county purposes, upon the recommendation of the Grand Jury of said county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act declaratory of the intention of the act entitled an act for the relief of honest debtors, approved on the 19th of December, 1823. The report was agreed to — The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to confer certain privileges upon Francis M. Sweatman of Thomas county, and render him eampble of transacting business for himself.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, the same was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter and change the name of the county of Kinchefoonee and for other purposes therein spec-

ified. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Joseph L. Robinson of the county of Appling. The report of the Committee on Finance which was favorable to the passage of the bill was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to commute the punishment of John T. Boyd of Muscogee county, now under sentence of death for the crime of Murder. On motion of Mr. Jones, the same was made the special order of the day for Wednesday next.

The House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to add a part of the county of Ware to the county of Charlton. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Brunswick Improvement company passed on the 9th February, 1854. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to pardon John T. Boyd of the county of Muscogee, now under sentence of death for the crime of murder. The same was on motion, made the special order for Thursday next.

The House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Union Coal and Iron company of Georgia and Georgia Coal and Mining company.

Mr. Crook offered the following amendment which was agreed to, viz: Provided that said corporation shall be subject to suits at law and equity in any of the counties in which they may operate.

On motion of Mr. Dawson, the bill and amendment were referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The following bills were read the second time and ordered to be committed for a third reading.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Thomas H. Roberts, of the county of Carroll, to practice medicine and surgery in all their branches, in any county in this State, and charge and collect for the same, without license from the Medical Board of this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter an act entitled an act to repeal an act entitled act to extend the civil jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace in the city of Savannah, and for other purposes, assented to 17th February, 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorise juries to determine by their verdict in cases now punished with death,

whether the punishment shall be death or perpetual imprisonment.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John Usry, of Warren county, Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Jeremiah J. Gafford, of the county of Stewart.

A bill to be entitled an act to consolidate the offices of Tax Receiver and Tax Collector of the county of Worth.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the road laws of this State so far as relates to the county of Coffee.

A bill to be entitled an act to divorce a certain person therein named and to change the name of the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Ladies German Benevolent Society of Savannah.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Rebecca B. B. Cohen and Pula S. Solomons, of Savannah, heirs of Moses and Mordicea Sheftall.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the several rent laws of this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Wayne, on the recommendation of the Grand Jury of said county, to levy an extra tax to be applied to Common School purposes, to appoint commissioners, and other purposes therein specified.

A bill to be entitled an act that all free persons of color remaining within the limits of the State of Georgia from and after the twenty-fifth day of December, eighteen hundred and fifty-six, shall be sold into servitude, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Treasurer to pay over to the Ordinary of Chattahoochee county or his agent, the Poor School Fund for the year 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent any person from throwing dead stock or other dead carcasses in Cotucay river or timber that would be likely to create drift.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal the first section of an act entitled an act to grant exemptions to cavalry corps and for the formation of squadrons of cavalry and to confer certain privileges upon the Baldwin Blues, approved January 22d, 1852, so far as relates to the county of Gordon.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the name of the Augusta and Waynesboro Railroad, to the Augusta and Savannah Railroad, to amend the charter of said company and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to confirm and ratify the action of the Superior Court of Muscogee county in granting charters to the Muscogee Building and Loan association, and the Columbus Building and Loan association and to legalize the acts of said association.

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for the sum

port of Government during the political years 1856 and 1857.

A bill to be entitled an act to exempt all blind persons from taxation and to provide for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Caroline McGill, wife of Archibald McGill and daughter of John Hargroves of the county of Ware.

And a bill to be entitled an act to reduce the bonds of the Sheriffs of the county of Coffee to the sum of eight thousand dollars.

The following bills of the House were read the second time and referred as hereafter stated, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Joseph Landrum, of the county of Oglethorpe. Referred to the Committee on Petitions.

A bill to be entitled an act to compensate Peter Mason, of the county of Whitfield, for work and labor done, on the eighth section of the fifth division of the Western and Atlantic Railroad ; to appropriate money for the same and for other purposes therein mentioned. Referred to a special committee of five consisting of Messrs. Crook, Irvin, Johnson of Cass, Harris of Fulton, and Caldwell of Walker.

A bill to be entitled an act to lay out and form a new county out of the counties of Campbell and Carroll and to organize the same. The same was referred under a rule of the House to the Committee on New Counties.

A bill to be entitled an act to make valid the divorce of Mary E. Rice, alias Mary E. Arnett, from William J. Rice and to legalize the subsequent marriage between her and Bradford T. Arnett ; to legitimize the issue by the latter marriage and for other purposes. The same was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the county of Hall and Lumpkin so as to include lot of land number one, in the eleventh district, in said county of Lumpkin. The same was referred under a rule of the House to the Consolidation Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Ward H. Wakefield, & Co. of Clay county. The same was on motion, referred to the Finance Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the School Commissioners of the county of Hart, to pay arrearages due Charles Alexander for the tuition of poor children in said county, in the year 1854, and for other purposes therein named. The same was referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to be entitled an act to add a part of the county of Fayette to the county of Campbell, and to change the line between the counties of Coweta and Campbell, and for oth-

or purposes. The same was referred under a rule of the House, to the Consolidation Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John W. Alexander of the county of Harris. This bill was on motion, referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the eleventh section of the Judiciary act of this State, passed 16th February, 1799. The same was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act to levy and collect an extra tax for each of the political years 1856 and 1857, and thereafter until repealed. One hundred and fifty copies of the same were ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Wm. G. Barrett, a teacher of poor children in the county of Clark. The same was referred under a rule of the House, to the Committee on Education.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the Commissioners of the Oconee river, and to appropriate money for the same. This bill was on motion, referred to the Committee on Finance.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Robert McInire of the county of Chatham. The same was referred to the Committee on Finance.

And a bill to be entitled an act to alter an act entitled an act to alter and amend the several acts in relation to itinerant traders and to prescribe the mode of obtaining license so as to read as follows. The same was on motion of Mr. Griffith, referred to the Judiciary Committee.

On motion, Mr. Burnett was added to the Committee on the Asylum for the Blind.

On motion of Mr. Lawton, Mr. Crook was added to the Judiciary Committee.

Leave of absence was granted for a few days on account of special business to Messrs. Moore, Cottle, Fulton, M'Cants, Jones of Lowndes, Watts, Battle and Brantly.

Mr. Barrett offered the following resolution which was taken up, read and agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That the Clerk be directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives will be ready to adjourn on the 20th December next, sine die.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, the Clerk was directed to inform the Senate immediately of the adoption of said resolution.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, the House adjourned until 10 o'clock Monday morning.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 3d, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Terhune, Mr. Caldwell of Walker was added to the Consolidation Committee.

Leave of absence was granted for a few days on account of special business, to Messrs. Hill of Troup, Rozier, Solomon, Henderson, Carlton, Lewis of Green, and Maynor.

The following bills were reported, and read the first time, viz:—

Mr. McClary reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the lines between the counties of Randolph and Calhoun.

Mr. Thompson offered a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Charlton county to examine and allow to the Tax Collector of said county the insolvent list.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Susan Murray of the county of Charlton.

Mr. Bradford reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the time of service in relation to subpoenas issuing from justice's courts to compel discoveries at common law.

Mr. Hoyle reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Garnett Hill Mining Company of Georgia.

Mr. Johnson offered a bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Elbert and Hart.

Mr. Wood reported a bill to be entitled an act to open, build and construct a macadamised or turnpike road from the North Carolina State line through the county of Fannin, by the way of Morganton in said county, to the town of Ellijay in the county of Gilmer, to appoint commissioners for the same, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. King reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John Huie of the county of Fayette.

Mr. Terhune reported a bill to be entitled an act to provide a remedy for mechanics and masons, and to give efficiency to the lien allowed them now by law.

A bill to be entitled an act to give to defendants damages for frivolous suits against them.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Rufus Barker of the county of Floyd, to practise medicine in the county of Floyd, and to sue and collect for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to allow further time to Sheriffs and their deputies for the service of writs, declarations, processes and bills in equity.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the corporation line of the city of Rome, so as to exclude the lands of Lewis D. Burwell, now in said city.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the time for holding the Superior and Inferior Courts in the county of Floyd.

A bill to be entitled an act to grant certain privileges un-

to, and incorporate the Oostanaula Steamboat Company.

A bill to be entitled an act amendatory of the several acts incorporating the city of Rome in this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Hillsboro in the county of Floyd, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Rome Volunteers, and to grant certain immunities and privileges to the members of the same.

Mr. Bradford reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Salt Springs Academy in the county of Campbell, and to appoint trustees for the same.

Mr. Harris of Fulton offered a bill to be entitled an act to amend the 18th section of the charter of the city of Atlanta, and to confer certain powers upon the Mayor and Council of said city therein specified, and to prescribe the manner in which the Clerk of the City Council shall direct his summons, precept and execution and other process.

Mr. Smith of Hancock offered a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John H. Kelly of the county of Hancock.

Mr. Myers reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Hartwell in the county of Hart, and for other purposes therein named.

Mr. Hudson of Harris offered a bill to be entitled an act to define and establish the fees of Ordinaries, Clerks of the Superior and Inferior Courts, Sheriffs, Jailors, Justices of the Peace and Constables of this State. On motion, one hundred and sixty copies of the same were ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Matthews reported a bill to be entitled an act to give the Inferior Courts of this State sole jurisdiction over the retail of spirituous liquors, and to confer upon said Courts the discretionary power therein named.

Mr. Tatom offered a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Lincoln county Mining Company.

Mr. King of McIntosh reported a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate a sum of money to improve the navigation of the Altamaha and Ocmulgee Rivers, and for other purposes therein named.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee offered a bill to be entitled an act to grant to certain persons therein named, the right to build a bridge across the Chattahoochee river, on certain conditions therein mentioned,

Mr. Caldwell, as Chairman of the special committee appointed to enquire in regard to services rendered by Dr. B. J. Head, during the prevalence of small pox in the city of Oglethorpe, reported a bill to entitled an act to compensate Dr. Bedford J. Head for medical services rendered to the citizens of Oglethorpe during the prevalence of small pox in said city.

Mr. Cannon reported a bill to be entitled an act to incor-

porate the Mockerson Turnpike Company in the county of Rabun, and to grant certain privileges to the same.

Mr. Milledge offered a bill to be entitled an act to change the name of Henry Issachar Wootan of the county of Richmond, to that of Henry Issachar Howard, and legitimize the same.

Mr. Kirkpatrick reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Griffin Mutual Loan Association.

Mr. Owen offered a bill to be entitled an act to change the name and place of holding elections at While's precinct in Talbot county.

Mr. McEenan reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the lines of the counties of Coffee and Telfair, so as to make and include the residence of Murdock H. McRea in the county of Telfair.

Mr. Browning reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the name of Sarah Louisa Dukes to Sarah Louisa McBain, and for other purposes therein named.

Mr. Brown of Talbot reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Wilson L. Owen of Upson county.

Mr. Hughes reported a bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act to amend the patrol laws of this State, approved February 20th, 1854, so far as relates to the county of Liberty.

Mr. Caldwell of Walker reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize Dr. John Bailey of the county of Walker to practise medicine and charge for the same.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to extend the boundary line of the county of Walker, and to add certain lots of land to said county of Walker.

Mr. Rumph reported a bill to be entitled an act to make Walter R. Youlles, formerly Walter R. Highsmith, son of Walter Youlles of the county of Wayne, the lawful heir of the said Walter Youlles of said county of Wayne.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Ladies German Benevolent Society of Savannah. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the road laws of this State, so far as relates to the county of Coffee. The report of the committee was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize Thomas Roberds of the county of Carroll, to practise medicine and surgery in all the counties of this State, and charge for the same. A number of amendments were presented and received, when, on motion of Mr. Terhune of Floyd, the bill and amendments were made the special order for the 21st of June next,

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Daw

son in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John Usry. After some time being spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. On motion of Mr. Johnson of Cass, this bill was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change certain county lines therein named, which bill was offered as a substitute by the Consolidation Committee, for certain bills embracing the subject matter of this. Several amendments were presented when on motion of Mr. Dawson, the same with amendments was referred to the Consolidation Committee with instruction to report as to the propriety of the passage of the bill and the adoption of the amendments.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Henry W. Pitts, Isaac B. Cox, George W. Hays, and John W. Perkinson. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and upon the question, Shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 40, nays 62.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Hilliard,	Parks,
Avery,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Paris,
Barrett,	Johnson of Carroll.	Pickett,
Boyd,	Johnson of Cass,	Richards,
Boykin of Scriven,	Jones of Lowndes,	Sharman,
Brown of Camden,	Lane,	Smith of Clinch,
Browning,	Lewis of Hancock,	Spinks,
Caldwell of Walker,	Lowe,	Tatom,
Cannon,	Luke,	Taylor,
Crook,	Matthews,	Thompson,
Dorminy,	McConnel of Gord'n	Walton,
Gordon,	Mobley,	Warthen,
Harris of Meriwe'r,	Murphy,	Wimberley.
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Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Dawson;	Hudson of Harris,
Barron,	Dozier,	Hughes,
Bartlett,	Durden.	Irvin,
Beall,	Edenfield,	Johnson of Elbert,
Bird,	Fields,	Johnson of Henry,
Bradford,	Guyton,	Jones of Muscogee,
Brown of Talbot,	Graham,	Julian,
Cooper,	Graves,	King of Fayette,
Cornwell,	Harris of Dougherty	King of McIntosh,
Cunningham,	Harris of Fulton,	Kirkpatrick,
Daniel,	Headen,	Kitchens,
Davis of Polk,	Hoyle,	McClary,

McDaniel of Catoosa,	Powell,	Smith of Hancock,
McLean,	Pruitt,	Smith of Tattnall,
McLellan,	Reid,	Stephens,
Montgomery,	Roberts,	Swearingen,
Myers,	Rumph,	Terhune,
Owen,	Shipp,	Wood,
Paflord,	Simmons,	Ward,
Peterson,	Sinquefield,	Whitworth.
Phillips,	Slocumb,	

So the bill was lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill for the relief of Jeremiah J. Gafford of the county of Stewart. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to consolidate the offices of Tax Receiver and Tax Collector of the county of Worth. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to confirm and ratify the action of the Superior Court of Muscogee county in granting charters to the Muscogee Building and Loan Association, and the Columbus Building and Loan Association, and to legalize the acts of said Associations. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to reduce the bonds of the Sheriffs of the county of Coffee to the sum of eight thousand dollars. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The Finance Committee in the discharge of the last, but not least important part of their duties, now ask leave to present to the House their estimates of receipts and disbursements at the Treasury during the financial years 1856 and 1857.

RECEIPTS FOR 1856.

From General Tax,	-	-	\$375,000 00
" Banks,	-	-	23,000 00
" Railroads,	-	-	6,000 00
" Miscellaneous Sources,	-	-	5,000 00
" Western and Atlantic Railroad,	-	-	180,000 00
Balance in Treasury on 20th Oct. 1855, not subject to draft,	-	-	45,000 00
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Aggregate Receipts,	-	-	\$634,000 00

DISBURSEMENTS FOR 1856.

Expenses of Legislature for session of seventy days,	-	\$90,000 00
Civil Establishment,	-	51,000 00

Contingent fund, -	15,000 20	
Deaf and Dumb Asylum,	8,000 00	
Academy for Blind,	2,500 00	
Support of Penitentiary,	2,500 00	
Military Fund, -	1,000 00	
“ Store Keeper,	400 00	
Military Institute, -	2,000 00	
Lunatic Asylum, -	22,000 00	
Inspector & Chaplain Penitentiary,	650 00	
Printing Fund,	18,000 00	
Interest on Public Debt,	165,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$381,050 00

Which deducted from receipts, leaves in Treasury on 20th October, 1856, - \$252,950 00

Assuming it to be the intention of the Legislature to make liberal appropriations for charitable and useful purposes, we notice them as follows :

Appro. for Lunatic Asylum,	\$55,000 00	.
For rebuilding, &c., Penitentiary,	15,000 00	
Deaf and Dumb Asylum,	3,500 00	
Military Institute,	12,500 00	
Salary of two Professors in Franklin College, r -	5,000 00	
To Terrell Professorship in Franklin College, - -	600 00	
	<hr/>	91,690 00

Which being deducted leaves a balance of \$161,350 00

RECEIPTS FOR 1857,

From General Tax, - -	\$350,000 00
“ Banks, - - -	23,000 00
“ Miscellaneous Sources, -	5,000 00
“ Railroads, - - -	6,000 00
“ Western and Atlantic Railroad,	284,000 00
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	\$668,000 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

Same as in 1856, deducting expenses of Legislature, - - \$291,050 00

Add

Appropriation for Lunatic Asylum,	55,000 00
Rebuilding Penitentiary,	50,000 00
Deaf and Dumb Asylum,	3,500 00
Military Institute,	12,500 00
Franklin College,	5,600 00
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	417,650 00

Showing bal. in Treasury on 20th Oct. 1857, \$250,350 00

On motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, one hundred and sixty copies of the same were ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

The following message was this day received from his Excellency the Governor, through Mr. deGraffinried, his Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the Governor to transmit to this branch of the General Assembly a communication in writing with accompanying documents :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
MILLEDGEVILLE, GEO., Dec. 3, 1855. }

To the House of Representatives—

In response to your call, I have the honor herewith to transmit a copy of the Report of J. C. Dobbin, Secretary of the Navy, relative to the establishment of a Naval Depot at Brunswick.

HERSCHEL V JOHNSON.

The following message was received from the Senate by Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bill, in conformity to the requirements of the Constitution, to-wit :

A bill to amend the first section of the third article of the Constitution of the State of Georgia.

The Senate has also agreed to a resolution directing their Secretary to enquire of the House of Representatives whether they cannot arrange their business so as to adjourn on the 12th instant sine die.

The following report was offered by Mr. Smith of Union, as Chairman of the Committee on the Penitentiary.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, one hundred and sixty copies of this report were ordered to be printed for the use of the House, and the question as to the adoption of the same made the special order of Friday next.

The Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Principal Keeper of the Penitentiary, and all matters pertaining to the condition and interests of that institution, have had the same under consideration, and after a careful examination of its operations for the last two years, together with the facts derived from an investigation of its operations during the thirty-nine years since its establishment, respectfully submit the following report.

We find the statements and exhibits of the Principal Keeper in his printed report substantially correct, and feel fully authorized to endorse without incorporating the same statements in this report.

We are pleased to say that the various officers have discharged their duty in a manner highly credible, giving indubitable proof that they are altogether worthy the important trust confided to them.

We find the outer walls and all the buildings, with the ex-

ception of cells and car-shop, in a wretched condition from decay and dilapidation.

The convicts, for the number, one hundred and eighty, are at present within limits too narrow and contracted. Thus your Committee regret that they can report favorable upon no single feature of the institution, and can alone commend the present able management of our miserably-devised and ill-constructed State Prison.

In some form, though with different colorings, we but concur in the reports which have been made by Committees of the General Assembly since its establishment, most of which have been condemnatory in effect, if not in words.

We might follow the precedent, and conclude this report by asking an appropriation for repairs, as has been done again and again, at every session of the General Assembly, until upwards of four hundred thousand dollars have been expended by the State, and the present condition is worse than the first.

The fact is demonstrable that it would have been a saving to the State, had the convicts been employed at hard labor in pounding stone with stone, without *outlay or income*.

We do not oppose the principle, or dissent from the policy, and did necessity require the annual expenditure of upwards of ten thousand dollars without the possibility of making the institution self-sustaining, we should have but reiterated the same beggarly complaint yearly made, and ask for still more. We believe, however, that the system can be perfected and made self-sustaining, but that this can only be effected by removal to a different locality, where labor will be more remunerative, materials cheaper, and buildings of every description erected at less cost, yet more durable and convenient. We therefore recommend the purchase of Stone Mountain in DeKalb county, which your Committee understand can be purchased at a reasonably fair price, with seventeen hundred acres of well-timbered land attached.

Ths advantages to be derived by removal to Stone Mountain are obvious, though other localities offering very nearly the same inducements may be found in the same section. Therefore your Committee recommend the appointment of a committee of five, three from the House and two from the Senate, who shall examine the different points suitable for a location, and report as soon as convenient the probable cost of removal.

It would be folly to discuss the question as to where labor is remunerative in Georgia, but as a first question whether the labor of convicts employed under the disadvantages incident, can be made profitable, they differing from mechanics in our workshops in many important particulars. But to say the least, the convicts are upon a footing equal to our best Negroes, being naturally so far their superiors.

That Negroes of every description with even common sense (for Negroes are employed profitably in several of the so termed lower grades of the mechanic arts,) is verified by the fact that so many are employed in this way. Each must have an overseer and head workman, and the only difference is the guard and cost of making them secure from escape. The expense of the cell and outer wall is once told, if properly constructed. Then ought not the profit of convict labor, even including the number, say one-sixth or seventh unable to work, be equal to the profit of the negro mechanic, and would not this, under proper management, defray the expense of guard and overseer and head workman, and be at least self-sustaining? In the opinion of this Committee, more—even profitable.

The average period of confinement is about three and a half years. Nearly all of our best mechanics at the South take apprentices at from two to four years, and we know of no instance within our knowledge of one who has failed to make money, and in most instances to become rich, who was any thing of a manager, by the labor of apprentices. The apprentice was worth his board and clothing the first year, and after that time becomes profitable under the supervision and direction of the head workman. May not this kind of apprentice labor be at least self-sustaining? Then it is asked, why has it not already been? The statements of a few facts will go far to show the reason. Until of late, they have had no facilities of transportation, they have been of necessity compelled to adopt the trade or mechanical art suitable to the capacity of the convict, without reference to the cost of materials or demand for the article manufactured.

Tanning, which has been and is as profitable as any business in the State, has been a constant source of loss, and when convicts, inexperienced though they may be at first, as well as Negroes, might be made to do the whole labor. The reason is the heavy expense of tan bark, worth here six dollars per cord, on the Western and Atlantic Railroad from two to three dollars per cord. Also, want of room, in the present constructed limits, to carry on the business on a more extensive scale and justify the institution in fitting up and accommodating the yard to all the improvements of the age, placing it upon an equal footing with the farmers, with whom they have to compete. And it is so in many other particulars.

In all work requiring oak here is given twenty-five dollars per thousand feet. Fifteen for pine; ash, poplar, gum and maple, thirty; all of which average from ten to twelve on the W. & A. Railroad, yet the article manufactured must meet in market the same article, the Penitentiary having paid double for the material.

This difficulty would not exist in the higher grades of the

mechanic arts, where the profit is in the finish, which requires great experience and skill, and three and a half years being, as stated before, about the average period of confinement, insufficient to give this experience and skill.

Therefore, if the system is to be continued, let it be removed to where the material can be procured at fair prices, and the articles manufactured find more ready and remunerative markets. Independent of the ordinary mechanic arts, a large number of the convicts might be employed profitably in quarrying and dressing stone for an indefinite time at the Stone Mountain, but we dissent from the opinion of the Governor in his message, that no class of the convicts should be employed at other than lowest menial service, and the message conceding the distinction in the moral turpitude, urges the necessity of classification, and that they should be employed at different labor, follows as a consequence.

High-toned and honorable youths and men may in an unguarded moment attempt to commit murder, and that they are to be placed even in labor upon a footing with the most depraved, will have a tendency to prevent juries from enforcing the stern mandate of the law, and when enforced would make miserable wretches of those who might be restored to the community better men, and having learned even something of a trade, be useful members of society.

Many reasons suggest Stone Mountain as the best locality for removal. In remodeling the Penitentiary with the material afforded, the outer walls could be so built as to lessen by half the expense of the guard, and which of itself has been and must continue a very considerable item of expense, unless the arrangement is altered. Much of the labor in preparing stone or brick, and erecting walls and buildings, may be advantageously performed by the convicts.

That much of the work for the State Road, repairing cars, building box cars, and a large proportion of the iron work, could be done by the convicts, is already conceded.

We do most fully concur with his Excellency the Governor in the recommendation that a classification be made, according to the moral turpitude of the crime. There is certainly a vast difference, and the distinction ought to be made, between the thief, the degraded and abandoned wretch, who preys upon society, and gluts in the life of his fellow man, and the unfortunate person who, in an evil hour, from heated blood and excited passion, does or attempts to do that which subjects him to confinement in the Penitentiary at hard labor for a term of years or for life.

The young who have committed a first offence should be kept separate from the accomplished villain. Every dictate of humanity demands this of the State.

Your Committee are forced to the conclusion that the pre-

sent system should be abolished, or removed and reconstructed on a different plan.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

S. J. SMITH, Chairman.
B. L. BOYKIN,
DANIEL AVERY,
B. M. STEPHENS,
WM. S. MONTGOMEY

The following Message was received from the Senate by Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker:—I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that they have this day elected the Hon. Andrew J. Miller of the county of Richmond, their President pro tem.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to prevent any person from throwing dead stock or other dead carcasses in Cotucay river, or timber that would be likely to create drifts, &c.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee offered an amendment extending the provisions of this bill to the Chatahoochee river, which was received.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to repeal the first section of an act entitled an act to grant exemptions to cavalry corps and for the formation of squadrons of cavalry, and to confer certain privileges upon the Baldwin Blues, approved January 22, 1852, so far as relates to the county of Gordon. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to exempt all blind persons from taxation, and to provide for the same.

Mr. Harris of Meriwether offered an amendment extending the provisions of this bill to all deaf and dumb persons in this State.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, the same, with the amendment, was laid on the table for the balance of the session.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. McClary for a few days on special business.

The hour of half past one having arrived, the House adjourned until half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4th, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Richard H. Supp, Esq., the member elect from the county

of Whitfield, presented himself, and after being duly qualified took his seat.

On motion of Mr. Richardson, so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the rejection of the bill to be entitled an act to authorize Thomas H. Roberds of the county of Carroll, to practice medicine and surgery in all their branches, in any county in this State, and collect for the same, was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. Terhune, the following resolutions upon the Clerk's table were taken up, read and acted upon, viz:

Resolved, That no leave of absence shall be granted to any member of this House except by unanimous consent of the House, unless in case of sickness of himself or family.—

The same was lost.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate enquire of the House of Representatives whether they cannot arrange their business so as to adjourn on the 12th instant, sine die.

On motion of Mr. Lewis of Hancock, the same was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Terhune offered the following resolution, as a substitute in lieu of one in reference to the election of State Printer, which was read and agreed to, and on motion the Clerk was instructed to transmit the same to the Senate forthwith.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Georgia in General Assembly met, That both branches of the General Assembly will convene in the Representative Hall on Friday the 7th instant, for the purpose of electing a State Printer for the next ensuing term, and that said person chosen shall be subject to any Legislation upon the matter of printing that the present General Assembly may deem advantageous to the public interest.

The Judiciary Committee through their Chairman Mr. Irvin, made the following report, viz:

The Judiciary Committee beg leave to report to the House, that it has no place in which to hold its consultations free from the intrusion of persons other than those having business before it.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Columbus Savings and Mutual Loan Association which was offered as a substitute by the Judiciary Committee for the original bill for this purpose and bearing the same title. The same was adopted. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the 7th section of the charter of the city of Griffin, and to abolish the salary of the Mayor of said city, and to reduce the salary of the Clerk and Marshall of said city; also to restrict the power of said Mayor and Counsel in the taxation of negro mechanics, and

for other purposes. The report of the Judiciary Committee adverse to the passage of the bill was agreed to. It was therefore lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to confer certain privileges upon Francis M. Sweatman of Thomas county, and render him capable of transacting business for himself. The report of the Judiciary Committee adverse to the passage of this bill was agreed to. The same was therefore lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to define the duties and liabilities of commissioners, agents, or employees of this State in the erection or repairs of Public Buildings, the payment of money, their oaths and the duty of the Governor therein. The report of the Judiciary Committee which was adverse to the passage of the same was agreed to. The bill was therefore lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the act incorporating the Georgia Military Institute and to appropriate money therefor which was offered as a substitute by the Committee on the Georgia Military Institute for a bill of the same title.—On motion of Mr. Phillips, the same was laid on the table, subject to be taken up at the instance of the mover.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Haynie in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Treasurer to pay over to the Ordinary of Chattahoochee county, the Poor School fund for the year 1854. On motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, the same was laid on the table for the present.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change the name of the Augusta and Waynesboro Railroad to the Augusta and Savannah Railroad, to amend the the charter of said Company, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Wayne, on the recommendation of the Grand Jury of said county, to levy an extra tax to be applied to Common School purposes, to appoint Commissioners, and for other purposes therein mentioned. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Rebecca B. Cohen and Perla S. Solomons of Savannah, heirs of Moses and Mordicea Shetall. The same on motion of Mr. Lawton, was referred to a special committee consisting of Messrs. Lawton, Crook, Jones of Muscogee, Burnett and Butts.

On motion of Mr. Harris of Meriwether, the rules were suspended when he offered a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Middle Ground Railroad, to provide for its organization and to define its rights and liabilities, which was read the first time.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the several rent laws of this State. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter an act entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to extend the civil jurisdiction of the Justices of the Peace in the city of Savannah and for other purposes, assented 17th February, 1854. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee, offered the following resolution which was taken up, read, agreed to, and the Clerk directed to transmit the same to the Senate immediately, viz :

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Georgia, That for the proper disposition of business of this body it is necessary that the Judiciary Committee of each House should have the use of some room in the Capitol during the session of said Committee.

Resolved, That the Library in this Capitol be and is hereby constituted a committee room for said Committee until farther ordered by the General Assembly.

Mr. Crook reported a bill to be entitled an act to aid in the construction of Railways now under charter, or hereafter to be incorporated during the session of this General Assembly, which was read the first time and 160 copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Johnson of Cass, offered a bill to be entitled an act to restore to the people of Georgia certain rights of which they are now deprived. The same was read the first time.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Cusseta in the county of Chattahoochee, and to render the County Site permanent, and to appoint an Intendant and Commissioners and regulate the duties of the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The following bill of the Senate was read the first time, viz :

A bill to be entitled act to amend the first section of the third article of the Constitution of the State of Georgia.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and ordered to be committed for a third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to alter, amend and explain section 4th of an act entitled an act for the prevention of frauds and perjuries.

And a bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Campbell and Fayette so as to include the residence of Nathan Camp now in the county of Fayette in the county of Campbell, approved February 20th, 1854.

The following bills of the House were read the second time and referred as hereafter specified, viz :

A bill to entitled an act to establish the right of any person or persons, and of Administrators, Executors and Guardians claiming an undivided interest in land, to maintain a separate action of ejectment for the same. This bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate criminal proceedings, fees of Attorneys and Solicitors General, and to repeal all laws authorizing the settlement of criminal cases and to make penal the same, and to vest the discretion exercised by the Judges of the Superior Courts in the Juries, and for other purposes. The same was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate a sum of money to improve the navigation of the Altamaha and the Ocmulgee rivers, and for other purposes herein named was referred to a special committee of five consisting of Messrs. King of McIntosh, Guyton, Hughes, McLean and Smith of Tattall.

A bill to be entitled an act to give to the Inferior Courts of this State sole jurisdiction over the retail of spirituous liquors and to confer upon said Courts the discretionary power therein named. The same was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the name of Sarah Louisa Dukes to Sarah Louisa McBain, and for other purposes therein mentioned. The same was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Dr. John Bailey of the county of Walker, to practice medicine and charge for the same was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Griffin Mutual Loan Association was read the second time and on motion, referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has agreed to a resolution in relation to the establishment of a Naval Depot at Brunswick in this State.

Also a resolution that his Excellency the Governor, cause the Superintendent of the Western and Atlantic Railroad to report to the General Assembly at as early a day as practicable, the amount of Iron taken up on said Road since the last session of the General Assembly ; what amount of Iron has

been sold, when sold and how sold, whether publicly or privately ; to whom sold and for what price, and how much remains on hand unsold, and whether or not there is any contract for the Iron to be taken up ; if so, for how much, and for what price and to whom sold—in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has also agreed to a resolution in relation to a recess by the General Assembly from the 20th instant to the 2d Monday in January next. In which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The following bills of the House were read the second time and ordered to be committed for their third reading.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Jefferson in the county of Camden and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Chattooga and Walker, which under a rule of the House, was referred to Committee on Consolidation.

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for certain purposes therein mentioned, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the time of service in relation to subpoenas issued from justice's courts to compel discoveries at common law.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Nickajack Railroad and Mining company.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Edward Stanfield of Henry county.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the name of Henry Issachar Wootan of the county of Richmond, to that of Henry Issachar Howard, and legitimize the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to remunerate Dr. Bedford J. Head, for medical services rendered to the citizens of Oglethorpe during the prevalence of small pox in said city.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to authorize certain persons therein named to clear out and improve the navigation of the Chattahoochee river above the Western and Atlantic Railroad and for other purposes therein named, approved January 12, 1852.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate a Bank in the city of Savannah to be called the Mechanics and Traders' Bank, approved February 17, 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Osborne J. Register of the county of Fulton.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Susan Murray of the county of Charlton.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Charlton county to examine and allow to the Tax Collector of said county the insolvent list.

A bill to be entitled an act to make Walter R. Youlles, formerly Walter R. Highsmith, son of Walter Youlles of

the county of Wayne, the lawful heir of the said Walter Youlles of said county of Wayne.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act to amend the patrol laws of this State, approved February 20th, 1854, so far as relates to the county of Liberty.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Wilson L. Owen of Upson county.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John H. Kelly of the county of Hancock.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Lincoln county Mining Company.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Mockerson Turnpike Company in the county of Rabun, and to grant certain privileges to the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the corporation line of the city of Rome, so as to exclude the lands of Lewis D. Burwell, now in said city.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide a remedy for mechanics and masons, and to give efficiency to the lien allowed them now by law.

A bill to be entitled an act to give to defendants damages for frivolous suits against them.

A bill to be entitled an act to allow further time to Sheriffs and their deputies for the service of writs, declarations, processes and bills in equity.

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to open, build and construct a macadamised or turnpike road from the North Carolina State line through the county of Fannin, by the way of Morganton in said county, to the town of Ellijay in the county of Gilmer, to appoint commissioners for the same, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Rome Volunteers.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Hartwell in the county of Hart, and for other purposes therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the name and place of holding elections at White's precinct in the county of Talbot.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Houston Lodge No. 93, of Free and accepted Masons and for other purposes therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the education of the youth of Georgia in the rudiments of an English education.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act entitled an act to compel the Judges of the Superior Courts of this State to convene at the Seat of Government in this State once in each year, for the purpose of establishing uni-

form rules of practice throughout this State, passed the 24th day of December, 1821.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Line Church, a Baptist Church on or near the line of Habersham county

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Salt Springs Academy in the county of Campbell, and to appoint trustees for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John Huie of the county of Fayette.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Garnett Hill Mining Company of Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Rufus Barker of the county of Floyd, to practise medicine and sue and collect for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the time for holding the Superior and Inferior Courts in the county of Floyd.

A bill to be entitled an act to grant certain privileges unto, and incorporate the Oostanaula Steamboat Company.

A bill to be entitled an act amendatory of the several acts incorporating the city of Rome in this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Hillsboro in the county of Floyd, and for other purposes.

The following bills were read the second time and referred under a rule of the House, to the Committee on Consolidation, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Elbert and Hart.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the lines betweewn the counties of Randolph and Calhoun.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the county line between Heard and Troup.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the line of the counties of Coffee and Telfair, so as to make and include the residence of Murdock H. McRea in the county of Telfair.

A bill to be entitled an act to extend the boundary line of the county of Walker, and to add certain lots of land to said county.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills of the House of Representatives, to wit :

A bill to change certain county lines therein enumerated.

Also a bill to alter and amend the third section of the third article of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, and to add an additional section to the first article of the Constitution in conformity to the requirments of the same.

The Senate has also concurred in the resolution of the House of Representatives appointing a committee of one from each Judicial Circuit, to join such committee as may be appointed on the part of the Senate, to whom shall be

referred all matters involving the equalization of the labor of said Circuits and the creation of new ones, and have appointed on their part, Messrs. Lawton of the South-western Circuit, Wales of the Chattahoochee, Moreland of the Coweta, Moore of Cobb, of the Blue Ridge, Cannon of the Cherokee, Peoples of the Western, Baxter of the Northern, Miller of the Middle, Wingfield of the Ocmulgee, Harris of Worth, of the Macon, Long of the Eastern, Knight of the Southern, and McMillan of the Western.

The Senate has also agreed to a resolution in relation to the establishment of a Mail Route from Americus, Georgia, to Eufaula, Alabama, in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The following report was made by the Committee on Enrolment.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled, signed by the President of the Senate and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, an act to amend an act to incorporate the Brunswick Improvement Company, passed on the 9th February, 1854.

On motion of Mr. Terhune, the Senate resolution relative to taking a recess was taken up, read and on motion of Mr. Ward, laid on the table for the present.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred the claim of Thomas E. Patton of Walker county, through their Chairman Mr. Phillips, reported the following bill for his relief, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate a sum of money for the payment of the claim of Thomas E. Patton assignee of Thomas Brice. The same was read the first time.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Jones of Lowndes, Tharpe and Mobley, for a few days on account of special business.

Mr. Phillips offered a resolution relative to the construction of a turn-out near the Lime Kilns of McDonald and Denmead, to the point on the Western and Atlantic Railroad where the switch used by C. W. Howard is located, &c., which on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvement.

Mr. Lawton reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate a Bank to be called the Exchange Bank of the city of Savannah, approved February 13th, 1854, which was read the first time.

The hour of halfpast one having arrived, the House adjourned until halfpast nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Committee on Public Printing reported the following bill and resolution, which were read, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the several acts in regard to the Public Printing and the election of Printer, the manner of printing and binding the laws and printing the journals, and the distribution thereof, and the printing of bills, reports and other documents, the duties of the Governor, Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House of Representatives, and Compilers, the liability of the Public Printer, and Secretary and Clerk, &c., and a resolution authorizing the Governor to contract with the present Public Printer relative to the omission of the side notes and references in the laws of the present session.

The Committee on Internal Improvement reported favorably to the passage of the bill to be entitled an act to amend the several acts of the General Assembly of the State of Georgia relating to the Savannah and Albany Railroad Company, and the Savannah, Albany and Gulf Railroad Company, approved respectively on the 25th day of December, 1847, the 20th day of November, 1851, and the 20th day of February, 1854, and to authorize the Southern Branch of said Savannah, Albany and Gulf Railroad Company to cross the line of the Brunswick and Florida Railroad Company.

The Judiciary Committee reported adversely to the passage of the following bills, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to give to tinnerns, plumbers and gas-fitters the benefit of an act to give to masons and carpenters an incumbrance for debts on account of work done and materials furnished in building and repairing houses and the premises to which they may be attached, and to repeal all laws on the subject, so far as relates to the counties of Richmond, McIntosh, and in the cities of Savannah, Macon and Columbus, assented to the 22d day of Dec. 1834, and of the laws amendatory thereof.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act entitled an act to alter and amend the several judiciary acts now in force in this State, so far as relates to justices' courts, approved December 14th, 1811.

A bill to be entitled an act to define the liability of the hirers of slaves at public hirings by executors, administrators, guardians, trustees, or agents.

A bill to be entitled an act to compel persons owning lands in the several counties of this State to give in their respective numbers and location ;

And a bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to fix the dignity and prescribe the order in which debts due by deceased persons shall be paid.

The same Committee reported favorably to the passage of the following bills, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to simplify the method of carrying cases to the Supreme Court, and for other purposes therein specified. On motion, 160 copies ordered to be printed.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the eleventh section of the judiciary act of this State, passed 16th February, 1799.

A bill to be entitled an act to define the liabilities of the husband for the debts of the wife, and to define the liabilities of property received through the wife for the debts of the husband existing at the time of marriage.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the laws of this State relative to imprisonment for debt.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Union Coal and Iron Company of Georgia, and the Georgia Coal Mining Company.

The same Committee reported a substitute of a similar title for the bill to be entitled an act to improve the law of evidence, and allow parties in interest to testify, and for other purposes, the passage of which they recommend.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred a bill for the relief of Jacob Lamb of the county of Muscogee, reported the same back to the House, and asked to be discharged from the farther consideration of the same. On motion of Mr. Phillips, this bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The Committee on Enrolment beg leave to report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives—

An act to change certain county lines therein enumerated.

Also, an act to alter and amend the third section of the third article of the Constitution of the State of Georgia by striking out the following words, to-wit, "appointed by the Legislature," and inserting in lieu thereof the words following, to-wit, "elected by the persons entitled to vote for members of the Legislature at such times and in such manner as the Legislature shall or may by law direct," and to add an additional section to the first article of the Constitution.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has agreed to the following resolutions of the House of Representatives, to-wit:

A resolution setting apart Friday, the 7th inst. for the election of a State Printer for the next ensuing term.

Also, a resolution constituting the Library Room as a committee room for the Judiciary Committee of both Houses.

The Committee on Enrolment beg leave to report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House, a joint resolution of the General Assembly making the Library a committee room for the use of the Judiciary Committee.

Also, a joint resolution of the General Assembly bringing on the election of a State Printer.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, the following Senate resolution was taken up and read, viz :

Whereas it being of the utmost importance for the interest of the people of Georgia, and component with the character and dignity of said State, that the business now before the present Legislature, with all other matters which may require legislative action, should be finally and wisely disposed of, becoming the Representatives of an intelligent constituency ; and whereas the usual and heretofore customary period of adjournment does not embrace a sufficient length of time to afford the Legislature an opportunity to discharge its duties to the people of the State as above indicated—

Be it therefore Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Georgia in General Assembly met, That from and after the 20th inst. the Legislature now in session do take a recess until the second Monday in January next, at which time it shall again convene, provided no member or other officer of the General Assembly shall be entitled to any per diem pay during the recess, or mileage in going home or returning to the Capitol at the expiration of said recess.

Upon the question as to agreeing to the same, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 80, nays 30.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Guyton,	Montgomery,
Avery,	Graham,	Murphey,
Barron,	Harrell,	Myers,
Bird,	Harris of Dougherty	Owen,
Boyd,	Harris of Fulton,	Passford,
Boykin of Scriven,	Harris of Meriwe'r	Paris,
Bradford,	Harrison,	Peterson,
Brantley,	Haynie,	Pickett,
Brown of Talbot,	Hilliard,	Powell,
Browning,	Hoyle,	Pruitt,
Butts,	Hughes,	Rozier,
Caldwell of Walker	Irvin,	Sapp,
Cannon,	Johnson of Carroll,	Sharman,
Causey,	Johnson of Elbert,	Shipp,
Cornwell.	Jones of Muscogee,	Simmons,
Crook,	Kirkpatrick,	Sinquefield,
Cunningham,	Kitchens,	Slocumb,
Davis of Bibb,	Lowe,	Smith of Clinch
Dorminy,	Luke,	Smith of Tattnall,
Durden,	Matthews,	Smith of Union,
Edenfield,	Maynor,	Spinks,
Faulk,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Stephens,
Felton,	McConnel of Gord'n	Swearingen,
Gordon,	McLenan,	Terhune,

Thompson	Walton,	Williams,
Thurston	Warthen,	Wynn.
Wood,	Watts,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Johnson of Cass,	Porter
Barnett,	Johnson of Henry,	Rumph,
Brown of Camden,	Julian,	Solomon,
Cooper,	Kilgore,	Smith of Hancock
Daniel,	King of Fayette,	Tatom,
Davis of Polk,	King of McIntosh,	Thompson,
Davison,	Lawton,	Ward,
Graybill,	Lewis of Hancock,	Whitworth.
Headen,	McLean,	Wiggins,
Hudson of Gwinnett	Parks,	Wimberly.
Hudson of Harris	Phillips,	

So the resolution was agreed to.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to commute the punishment of John T. Boyd of the county of Muscogee, now under sentence of death for the crime of murder, which was the special order of the day.

Mr. Irvin rose to a question of order, in regard to the power of the General Assembly to entertain the bill.

The Speaker decided the question in the negative.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee appealed from said decision to the House. After some time being spent in discussion, the question as to sustaining the decision of the Speaker was put, upon which the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and the yeas 85, nays 34.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amis,	Edenfield,	Kilgore,
Barnett,	Felton,	King of Fayette,
Beal,	Fields,	King of McIntosh,
Bird,	Guyton,	Kitchens,
Boyd,	Graham,	Lane,
Boyd of Scriven,	Graybill,	Lawton,
Bradford,	Harris of Dougherty	Lewis of Hancock,
Bradley,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	Lowe,
Brown of Camden,	Haynie,	Luke,
Brown of Talbot,	Headen,	M'Connel of Catoosa
Calwell of Pike,	Hilliard,	McConnel of Goid'n
Cooper,	Hoyle,	McLean,
Crook,	Hudson of Gwin'tt	McLelan,
Cunningham,	Hudson of Harris,	Montgomery,
Davis of Polk,	Hughes,	Myers,
Davison,	Johnson of Carroll,	Owen,
Dorning,	Johnson of Elbert,	Parks,
Dozier,	Jones of Warren,	Peterson,
Durbin,	Julian,	Phinizy,

Pickett,	Sinquefield,	Swearingen,
Porter,	Slocumb,	Tatom,
Pruitt,	Solomon,	Wood,
Richards,	Smith of Clinch,	Ward,
Roberts,	Smith of Hancock,	Warthen,
Rozier,	Smith of Tattnall,	Watts,
Rumph,	Smith of Union,	Whitworth.
Sharman,	Spinks,	Wiggins,
Shipp,	Stephens,	Wynn.
Simmons.		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Gordon,	Paris,
Barron,	Harrell,	Phillips,
Bartlett,	Harris of Fulton,	Powell,
Browning,	Irvin,	Reid,
Butts,	Johnson of Cass,	Terhune,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Henry,	Tharpe,
Cannon,	Jones of Muscogee,	Thompson,
Causey,	Kirkpatrick,	Thornton,
Cornwell,	Matthews,	Walton,
Daniel,	Maynor,	Williams,
Davis of Bibb,	Murphey,	Wimberly.
Faulk,		

So the decision was sustained, and the bill ruled out of order.

The following bills were reported and read the first time, viz :

Mr. Porter offered a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Effingham county to levy a tax for the purpose of paying the Superintendents, Clerks, and those who consolidate the returns of elections of said county for their services.

Mr. Harris of Dougherty reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Fredonia Academy in the county of Baker, and to appoint Trustees for the same.

Mr. Powell reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend the several acts now in force regulating the fees of magistrates and constables in the State of Georgia, so far as relates to the county of Decatur, and to provide for the mode of collecting the same.

Mr. Hoyle offered a bill to be entitled an act to change the January and October elections in the State of Georgia, from the first Monday in January and October to the first Wednesday in January and October.

Mr. Harris of Fulton reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Atlanta Male College, and to appoint Trustees for the same, &c. Also,

A bill to be entitled an act to ratify and confirm the act

of incorporation of the Atlanta Loan and Building Association, and to legalize the acts of the same.

Mr. Julian reported a bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the several Judiciary acts now in force in this State, so far as relates to justices' courts, approved December 14th, 1811.

Mr. Terhune offered a resolution relative to the unconstitutionality of a protective tariff.

Also, a resolution relative to an appropriation from the State Treasury in aid of the Kansas Emigrant Aid Society of the State of Georgia.

Mr. Phillips offered a bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act entitled an act to amend an act passed the 17th day of December, 1847, to authorize parties to compel discoveries at common law, approved 20th Feb. 1834.

Mr. Matthews reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Houston county to levy an extra tax for the years 1856 and 1857, for the purposes therein mentioned, upon the conditions specified.

Mr. Myers reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the name of William Adams of Hart county to that of William Dooly, and legitimatize the same.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Planters' Club of Hancock county, and authorize the payment to the same of a portion of the State tax of said county upon certain conditions.

Mr. Whitworth introduced a bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Jackson, Gwinnett and Walton.

Mr. Cornwell reported a bill to be entitled an act for the benefit of Isaac C. Moore, a teacher of poor children in the county of Jasper in the year 1854.

Mr. Thornton offered a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the United Riflemen of the city of Columbus, and to extend to them certain privileges.

Mr. Murphy reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize and require the Ordinary of Monroe county to pay to James H. Perdue, a teacher of poor children in the county of Monroe in the year 1854, his account for teaching certain poor children.

Mr. Brantley reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Caleb J. Moncrief and Young J. Browning, citizens of the county of Meriwether.

Mr. Harris of Meriwether offered a bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the seventh section of the second article of the Constitution, so as to confer upon the General Assembly of the State of Georgia the power to commute punishment in capital offences.

Mr. Barron reported a bill to be entitled an act to relieve practising physicians in certain cases from jury duty

On motion of Mr. Terhune, the rules were suspended, and the bill to be entitled an act to restore the people of Georgia to certain rights of which they are now deprived, was taken up, read the second time, and ordered to be committed for a third reading.

The Committee on Finance reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John Usry, of Warren county, back to the House without any expression as the propriety of its passage, from the fact that there was no evidence accompanying said bill. The same was, on motion, recommitted.

The same Committee report favorably to the passage of the following bills, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Robert McIntire of the county of Chatham.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Ward H. Wakefield & Co. of Clay county.

And a bill to be entitled an act to compensate Almon Gwinn for the apprehension and delivery of William Mitchell, a fugitive from justice, and to appropriate money for the same.

The same committee report the following bills back without the expression of an opinion, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the Commissioners of the Oconee river, and to appropriate money for the same ;

And a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Hardy Smith of the county of Laurens.

Also, report adversely to the passage of the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for the Medical College of Georgia.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Bartlett and Darden for a few days on account of special business.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, the use of this Hall was tendered to the Rev. Mr. Bacon of Washington city, this evening at 7½ o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Thornton, the same privilege was extended to the Rev. Mr. Martin, at 7½ o'clock P. M. on Friday next.

The hour of half past one having arrived, the Speaker announced the House adjourned until 9½ o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER, 6th, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to pardon John T. Boyd of the county of Muscogee, now under sentence of death for the crime of murder, it being the

special order of the day. The report was agreed to. After some time spent in discussion, the bill was read the third time.

Upon the question shall this bill now pass, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 80, nays 43.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Graham,	Parks,
Avery,	Graves,	Paris,
Barrett,	Graybill,	Peterson,
Barron,	Harris of Dough'ty,	Phinizy,
Battle,	Harris of Meriw'e'r,	Rozier,
Beall,	Harrison,	Rumph,
Bird,	Haynie,	Shipp,
Boyd,	Headen,	Simmons,
Boykin of Scriven	Hill,	Slocumb,
Bradford,	Hilliard,	Solomon,
Brantley,	Hughes,	Smith of Clinch
Brown of Burke,	Irvin,	Smith of Hancock,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Carroll,	Smith of Tattnall,
Butts,	Johnson of Elbert,	Smith of Union,
Caldwell of Pike,	Johnson of Henry,	Stephens,
Caldwell of Walker,	Jones of Lowndes,	Swearingen,
Cannon,	King of Fayette,	Tatom,
Causey,	Lewis of Greene,	Terhune,
Cobb,	Lewis of Hancock,	Tharpe,
Cottle,	Lowe,	Thompson,
Crook,	Luke,	Wood,
Daniel,	Matthews,	Ward,
Dawson,	McCants,	Watts,
Dozier,	Montgomery,	Wiggins,
Edenfield,	Moore,	Williams,
Felton,	Pafford,	Wimberly.
Gordon,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Hoyle,	Murphy,
Boykin of Troup,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Owen,
Brown of Talbot,	Hudson of Harris,	Phillips,
Browning,	Johnson of Cass,	Pickett,
Cooper,	Jones of Muscogee,	Pruitt,
Cornwell,	Julian,	Reid,
Cunningham,	Kilgore,	Roberts,
Davis of Bibb,	King of McIntosh,	Sapp,
Davis of Polk,	Kitchens,	Sharman,
Dorminy,	Lawton,	Sinquefield,
Faulk,	Maynor,	Smith of Bryan
Fields,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Spinks,
Guxton,	McConnell of Gord'n	Thornton,
Hale,	McLean,	Warthen,
Harrell,	McLellan,	Whitworth,
Harris of Fulton,		

So the bill was passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Haynie in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to amend an act incorporating the Georgia Military Institute and appropriate money therefor, which was offered by the Committee on Military affairs as a substitute for a bill bearing the same title.

Mr. Phillips offered to amend said bill by adding John A. Jones and Peyton H. Colquitt, to the Board of Visitors.

The amendment was received. The Committee arose and through their Chairman, reported it back to the House with the amendment. The report as amended was agreed to.

Mr. Irvin moved to amend by adding to the Board of Visitors the name of John W. Anderson, which amendment was received.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee, offered the following amendment, which was also received, viz :

And be it further enacted, That said Institution shall in consideration of the appropriations herein granted, educate in addition to those heretofore provided for, ten poor young men upon the same terms and conditions as now provided by law.

The bill was read the third time and upon the question, shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded and are yeas 78, nays 39.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs :

Anderson,	Edenfield,	Matthews,
Amiss,	Felton,	M'Connel of Catoosa
Avery,	Fields,	McLean,
Barron,	Guyton,	Moore,
Bartlett,	Graves,	Myers,
Boyd,	Harris of Dougherty	Owen,
Boykin of Scriven,	Harris of Fulton,	Pafford,
Boykin of Troup,	Harris of Meriwe'r	Peterson,
Bradford,	Haynie,	Phillips,
Brantley,	Hill,	Powell,
Brown of Burke,	Hilliard,	Reid,
Brown of Camden,	Hoyle,	Rozier,
Brown of Talbot,	Hughes,	Rumph,
Browning,	Irvin,	Sapp,
Butts,	Johnson of Carroll,	Sharman,
Caldwell of Pike,	Jones of Lowndes,	Smith of Clinch,
Caldwell of Walker,	Jones of Muscogee,	Smith of Hancock,
Cobb,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Union,
Cornwell,	Lane,	Stephens,
Cottle,	Lawton,	Tatom,
Crook,	Lewis of Greene,	Tharpe,
Davis of Bibb,	Lewis of Hancock,	Thompson,
Dawson,	Lowe,	Thornton,

Wood,	Watts.	Wimberly,
Ward,	Wiggins,	Wynn.
Warthen,	Williams,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs :

Battle,	Hale,	Phinzy,
Beall,	Harrell,	Pickett,
Bird,	Headen,	Pruitt,
Cannon,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Richards,
Causey,	Hudson of Harris,	Roberts,
Cooper,	Johnson of Cass,	Shipp,
Cunningham,	Julian,	Slocumb,
Daniel,	Kilgore,	Solomon,
Davis of Polk,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Tattnall,
Dorminy,	Maynor,	Spinks,
Dozier,	M'Connell of Gord'n,	Swearingen,
Faulk,	Parks,	Terhune,
Graham,	Paris,	Whitworth,
Graybill,		

So the bill was passed.

On motion of Mr. Lewis of Hancock, the rules were suspended and he offered the following resolution which was taken up, read and adopted, viz :

Resolved, That the resolutions of the Southern Central Agricultural Society be referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Internal Improvement, with instructions to report a bill to carry out the objects of the resolutions in relation to a Geological Survey of the State.

Mr. Davis of Polk, offered the following resolution which was taken up, read and agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That the Judiciary Committee be requested to inquire into the propriety, expediency and necessity of the Office known as Attorney or Commissioner on and for the State Road, and should they deem such an office necessary to secure and defend the rights of said Road, they report to this House by bill or otherwise, what is a fair compensation for the services of said officer and in what manner he shall be elected or appointed ; and should they deem such office to be unnecessary they are requested to report in favor of its immediate extinguishment. •

The Committee on New Counties report unfavorable to the passage of the following bills, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Floyd and Chattooga.

A bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county out of the counties of Houston and Crawford.

And a bill to be entitled an act to lay off and organize a new county of Habersham, Hall and Lumpkin.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to improve the law of evidence and al-

low parties in interest to testify, and for other purposes.—The same was on motion, made the special order for Wednesday next.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the laws of this State relative to imprisonment for debt. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to define the liabilities of the husband for the debts of the wife, and to define the liabilities of property received through the wife for the debts of the husband existing at the time of marriage. The report of the Judiciary Committee favorable to the passage of the same was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and upon the question shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 99, nays 21.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Graham,	Murphey,
Amiss,	Graves,	Owen,
Avery,	Graybill,	Pafford,
Barrett,	Harrell,	Parks,
Barron,	Harris of Fulton,	Paris,
Battle,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Peterson,
Beall,	Haynie,	Phillips,
Bird,	Headen,	Reid,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hill,	Richards,
Boykin of Troup,	Hilliard,	Rozier,
Brantley,	Hoyle,	Rumph,
Brown of Burke,	Hudson of Harris,	Sapp,
Brown of Talbot,	Hughes,	Sharman,
Browning,	Irvin,	Shipp,
Butts,	Johnson of Carroll,	Sinquefield,
Caldwell of Pike,	Johnson of Cass,	Slocumb,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Henry,	Solomon,
Causey,	Jones of Muscogee,	Smith of Bryan,
Cobb,	Julian,	Smith of Clinch,
Cooper,	Kilgore,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cornwell,	King of Fayette,	Spinks,
Cottle,	King of McIntosh,	Stephens,
Crook,	Kirkpatrick,	Swearingen,
Daniel,	Kitchens,	Tatom,
Davis of Bibb,	Lane,	Terhune,
Davis of Polk,	Lawton,	Tharpe,
Dawson,	Lewis of Greene,	Thompson,
Dorminy,	Lewis of Hancock,	Thornton,
Dozier,	Lowe,	Wood,
Faulk,	Luke,	Walton,
Felton,	Matthews,	Ward,
Gordon,	Moore,	Warthen,

Watts,	Wimberly,	Wynn.
Wiggins,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Bradford,	Harris of Dough'ty,	Phinizy,
Brown of Camden,	Hudson of Gwin'tt.	Pickett,
Cannon,	Maynor,	Powell,
Cunningham,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Pruitt,
Edenfield,	McConnel of Gord'n	Roberts,
Fields,	McLean,	Simmons,
Guyton,	Myers,	Whitworth,
Hale,		

So the bill was passed.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to wit:

A bill to add the county of Carroll to the 4th Congressional District.

A bill to give the election of County Treasurer to the legal voters of certain counties therein named.

A bill to incorporate the Hydrant Water Company of Columbus.

A bill to repeal an act entitled an act to regulate the granting of new trials, approved February 20th, 1854.

A bill to repeal an act entitled an act to compel all persons living in the county of Wayne to give in and pay their taxes in said county, for all property in the State, so far as relates to the counties of Glynn and Camden.

A bill to repeal an act to prevent the killing of deer at certain periods of the year in the counties of Burke and Worth, so far as relates to the county of Worth.

A bill to define the liability of the several Railroad companies of this State, for injuries done to persons or property, to prescribe in what counties they shall be sued and how served with process.

A bill to incorporate the city of Brunswick and for other purposes.

A bill to incorporate the Atlanta Female College and confer powers on the same.

A bill to authorize the Inferior Court of the county of Carroll to levy an extra tax for the purpose of building a new Court-house.

A bill to authorize Lewis Zeigler of the State of Alabama, to qualify an act as the Executor of the last will and testament of William Zeigler, late of Crawford county, deceased.

A bill to repeal so much of an act entitled an act to add part of the county of Carroll to the county of Heard, and establish an additional election precinct in Heard county, as-

sent to December 20th, 1834, as relates to adding a part of Carroll to the county of Heard.

The Senate has also concurred in the resolution of the House of Representatives authorizing his Excellency the Governor, to employ Counsel to represent the State of Georgia in the case pending in the Supreme Court of the United States, in relation to the boundary line between Georgia and Alabama.

The Committee on Enrolment beg leave to report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House; a resolution authorizing the General Assembly to take a recess from the 20th instant until the second Monday in January next.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to compel persons owning lands in the several counties of this State to give in their respective numbers and location. The report of the Judiciary Committee adverse to the passage of the same was agreed to and the bill was therefore lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to define the liability of the hirers of slaves at public hirings by Executors, Administrators, Guardians, Trustees or Agents.

The hour of half past one o'clock having arrived before any decisive action on the same, leave of absence was granted Messrs. Irvin and Boykin for a few days on special business, and the House adjourned until half past nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7th, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Hudson of Harris moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the passage of the bill to be entitled an act to amend an act incorporating the Georgia Military Institute, and to appropriate money therefor. Upon the question, Shall this bill be reconsidered, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 62, nays 68.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Cannon,	Davis of Polk,
Avery,	Causey,	Dorminy,
Barrett,	Cobb,	Dozier,
Battle,	Cooper,	Edenfield,
Beall,	Cornwell,	Faulk,
Bird,	Cunningham,	Gordon,
Boyd,	Daniel,	Graham,

Hale,	Maynor,	Sharman,
Harrell,	McClary	Shipp,
Harrison,	McConnel of Gord'n	Solomon,
Headen,	McLelan,	Smith of Tattual,
Hilliard,	Montgomery,	Spinks,
Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Murphy,	Stamper,
Hudson of Harris,	Myers,	Stephens,
Johnson of Cass,	Owen,	Swearingen,
Jones of Warren,	Phinizy,	Taylor,
Julian,	Pickett,	Terhune,
Kilgore,	Powell,	Thompson,
King of Fayette,	Pruitt,	Whitworth,
Kitchens,	Roberts,	Wynn.
Luke,	Rumph,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barron,	Hill,	Phillips,
Barton,	Hoyle,	Porter,
Bradford,	Hughes,	Reid,
Brantley,	Johnson of Carroll,	Richards,
Brown of Burke,	Johnson of Elbert,	Rozier,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Henry,	Sapp,
Brown of Talbot,	Jones of Lowndes,	Simmons,
Browning,	Jones of Muscogee,	Sinquefield,
Butts,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Bryar,
Caldwell of Pike,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Clinch,
Caldwell of Walker,	Lane,	Smith of Hancock,
Cottle,	Lawton,	Smith of Union,
Crook,	Lewis of Greene,	Tatom,
Davis of Bibb,	Lewis of Hancock,	Tharpe,
Felton,	Lowe,	Thornton,
Fields,	Matthews,	Wood,
Guyton,	McClary,	Walton,
Graves,	McConnel of Catoosa,	Warthen,
Graybill,	McLean,	Watts,
Harris of Dougherty,	Moore,	Wiggins,
Harris of Fulton,	Pafford,	Williams,
Harris of Meriwe'r,	Paris,	Wimberley.
Haynie,	Peterson,	

So the motion to reconsider was lost.

On motion of Mr. Crook, the Clerk was directed to inform the Senate that the House was ready to proceed, in connection with that body, to the election of a State Printer.

That duty having been performed, the President and Members of the Senate attended in the Representative Hall and proceeded under a joint resolution to the election of a State Printer. The ballots being received and counted out, it appeared that Tennent Lomax, Esq., of Muscogee county, received a majority of all the votes given in, and was there-

fore declared duly elected State Printer for the next ensuing term.

Mr. Guyton moved to suspend the rules, when he offered the following resolution, which was taken up, read and adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the Committee on the Asylum for the Blind have leave of absence to-morrow for the purpose of visiting the institution, and that all bills in which any member is interested be passed over until Monday next.

The House resumed the unfinished business of yesterday, it being the bill to be entitled an act to define the liabilities of hirers of slaves at public hirings by executors, administrators, guardians, trustees or agents.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock moved to postpone the same indefinitely. Upon this proposition the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 72, nays 49.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Harris of Meriw'r,	McConnel of Gord'n
Avery,	Harrison,	Montgomery,
Barrett,	Hilliard,	Murphy,
Barton,	Hoyle,	Myers,
Battle,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Owen,
Beall,	Johnson of Cass,	Pafford,
Boykin of Troup,	Johnson of Henry,	Phillips,
Bradford,	Jones of Lowndes,	Porter,
Brantley,	Jones of Muscogee,	Roberts,
Brown of Burke,	Jones of Warren,	Rumph,
Brown of Camden,	King of Fayette,	Sapp,
Brown of Talbot,	King of McIntosh,	Sharman,
Butts,	Kirkpatrick,	Simmons,
Causey,	Lane,	Sinquefield,
Cobb,	Lawton,	Slocumb,
Cooper,	Lewis of Greene,	Solomon,
Crook,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Bryan,
Davis of Bibb,	Lowe,	Smith of Union,
Davis of Polk,	Luke,	Stephens,
Fields,	Matthews,	Swearingen,
Graham,	Maynor,	Tharpe,
Graves,	McCants,	Thompson,
Harris of Dough'y,	McClary,	Wood,
Harris of Fulton,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Williams.

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Daniel,	Guyton,
Bird,	Dorminy,	Hale,
Boyd,	Dozier,	Harrell,
Browning,	Edenfield,	Haynie,
Cannon,	Faulk,	Headen,
Cornwell,	Felton,	Hill,
Cunningham,	Gordon,	Hudson of Harris,

Hughes,	Phinizy,	Spinks,
Johnson of Carroll,	Pickett,	Stamper,
Johnson of Elbert,	Powell,	Tatom,
Julian,	Pruitt,	Taylor,
Kilgore,	Reid,	Terhune,
McLean,	Shipp,	Walton,
McLelan,	Smith of Clinch,	Whitworth,
Parks,	Smith of Hancock,	Wiggins,
Paris,	Smith of Tattnall,	Wimberly.
Peterson,		

So the bill was indefinitely postponed.

The following minority report from the Committee on the Penitentiary, was offered by Mr. Dorminy :

The Committee on the Penitentiary, to whom was referred the Governor's Message, or so much thereof as relates to the Penitentiary, and other matters pertaining to the institution, report that they have performed the duty assigned them.

Your Committee have examined the Book Keeper's accounts, and find them to correspond with the Principal Keeper's Report.

Your Committee also report that they find the work done in the various shops as well and to as great an extent as could be expected from the crowded condition of the place.

Your Committee have also examined into the condition of the inside buildings and the surrounding walls of the institution, and recommend to the General Assembly that the buildings and walls of the institution be remodded. And in consequence of the dilapidated condition of many of the inside buildings, they must be repaired; and to secure them from fire, your Committee would recommend that they be built of brick and covered with some mineral substance. And from the crowded condition of the buildings, and the increase of convicts, it becomes absolutely necessary to enlarge the area, so that such buildings may be constructed and enlarged so as to give the utmost facility in the work shops; and also to enlarge the hospital and kitchen. And that the proper authorities may construct such divisional walls and new cells as will enable them to classify the numerous grades of convicts, and prevent intercommunication between them, as the wisdom of the Legislature and the Principal Keeper may direct to accomplish these objects. And your Committee would recommend that the area be enlarged by building new walls on the north, extending one hundred feet from the old wall, and on the west extending near the street, and that the new walls be constructed out of well burnt brick, laid in lime mortar of sufficient thickness; and that the convicts be employed in performing such parts of the work as may be practicable to accomplish the above object. Your Committee are aware that it is desirable that the outside walls be of dressed gran-

ite, but however desirable it may be, in view of the financial condition of the State, your Committee are not prepared to recommend its adoption, knowing as we do that to transport granite from the quarries to the present location of the institution would amount to an enormous sum of money, and to remove the institution would be equally expensive; besides the present cell building, car shop, and other buildings useful to the institution, would be an entire loss to the State. Other considerations induce your Committee not to recommend its removal, (much as we respect the recommendation of his Excellency and the Principal Keeper,) namely, that its present location is immediately under the notice of the Governor and the Legislature when convened. And furthermore, to locate the institution at whatever place we may, it will have an injurious effect upon the mechanics within its vicinity. And as by public authority, Milledgeville was located at its present point for the purpose of constructing the public buildings, and as the city of Milledgeville is benefited by the location of the public buildings, it ought to bear the burthen of the Penitentiary, which has existed almost coeval with the city.

The subject of removal and constructing new buildings at some other place by the convicts, presents a grave constitutional question. The convicts could not be employed away from any prison, unless they worked after the manner of the chain-gang in Mexico and other countries. Would not such a course be lessening or augmenting the punishment, which the Constitution forbids? Your Committee cannot see how it can be practicable to employ the convicts in working stone at a great distance from the prison. We therefore recommend that the institution be substantially repaired at its present location.

Be it therefore Resolved, That a sufficient amount be set apart in the general appropriation bill to purchase the necessary material to effect the above objects, and to purchase provisions while the institution may be engaged in constructing the buildings.

The majority report of the Committee on the Penitentiary being the special order of the day, it was taken up, read and adopted, when, on motion of Mr. Lewis of Hancock, the same was referred to said Committee with instructions to report a bill in accordance with the provisions of the report.

Mr. Lawton, from the Judiciary Committee, reported adversely to the passage of the following bills, viz:

A bill to be entitled an act to extend the jurisdiction of magistrates' Courts within the corporate limits of the city of Augusta to fifty dollars.

And a bill to be entitled an act to alter an act entitled an act to alter and amend the several acts in relation to itiner-

ant traders and to prescribe the mode of their obtaining license so as to read as follows.

Favorably to the passage of the bill to be entitled an act to change the name of Sarah Louisa Dukes to Sarah Louisa McBan, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

And reported the bill to be entitled an act to make valid the divorce of Mary E. Rice, alias Mary E. Arnett, and to legalize the subsequent marriage between her and Bradford T. Arnett; to legitimatize the issue by the latter marriage and for other purposes, back to the House without amendment, or the expression of an opinion thereon.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor, through Mr. deGraffinried, his Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Governor has assented to and signed the following resolutions, to-wit :

A resolution allowing the use of the State Library room for the Judiciary Committees of both Houses

A resolution bringing on the election of State Printer on Friday, the 7th instant.

Also, a resolution to establish a mail route.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House a joint resolution in reference to the suit instituted by the State of Alabama in the Supreme Court of the United States against the State of Georgia, relative to the boundary line between the two States,

On motion, the rules were suspended, and the following bills were reported and read the first time, viz :—

Mr. Rozier offered a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Summerville Academy in Emanuel county.

Mr. Lewis of Greene offered a bill to be entitled an act to amend the 6th section of the 9th division of the penal code of Georgia, so as more effectually to prevent duelling, and to prescribe the duties of the Judges of the Superior Courts in certain cases ;

And a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of White Plains in Greene county, and to confer upon the citizens of said town the privilege of electing town commissioners with certain powers therein enumerated.

Mr. Smith of Bryan reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize John Slater of the county of Bryan to administer medicine and receive compensation therefor ;

Also, a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the Sheriffs of Bryan county in certain cases.

Mr. Harris of Meriwether offered a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Georgia College of Science and Agriculture, located at ——— in the State of Georgia.

Mr. Thornton reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the High Town Mining Company of Georgia.

Mr. Graham offered a bill to be entitled an act to alter and

amend the several laws in relation to the poor school system so far as relates to the county of Lumpkin.

On motion of Mr. Lewis of Hancock, the bill to be entitled an act to provide for the education of the youth of Georgia in the rudiments of an English education, was made the special order for Wednesday next.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Jones of Muscogee and Lewis of Hancock for to-morrow.

The hour of half past one having arrived, the Speaker declared the House adjourned until half past 9 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8th, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Phillips offered the following resolution which was taken up, read and adopted, viz :

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed by the House to join such committee as has been or may be appointed by the Senate, to examine the various suitable localities on or near the line of some one of our Railroads with a view to the selection of the most advantageous point for the erection of a State Prison, and that they report to the House as early as possible.

The committee appointed consists of Messrs. Smith of Union, Phillips and Johnson of Cass.

The rules were suspended and the following bills being reported were read the first time, viz :

Mr. Harrell reported a bill to be entitled an act to regulate election Precincts in the county of Pulaski.

Mr. McConnell of Gordon, offered a bill to be entitled an act to require agents at the depots on the Western and Atlantic Railroad to weigh, receipt for and mark produce, &c.

Mr. Harris of Dougherty, reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Dougherty and Worth.

Mr. Myers offered a bill to be entitled an act to reduce the Sheriff's Bond of the Sheriffs hereafter to be elected in the county of Hart, from the sum of twenty thousand to the sum of ten thousand dollars.

Mr. Pafford reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Coffee and Appling so as to include lot of land number two hundred and eighteen in the second district of Appling county, in the county of Coffee, it being the lot of land whereon Elbert Simmons now resides.

Mr. Phinzy reported a bill to be entitled an act to cause the several Banks now in operation or that may be hereafter in operation in this State, to pay the same per centum of tax for county purposes on their capital stock, real estate

and other property as individuals pay on their taxable property.

Mr. Johnson of Cass, offered a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for the benefit of the Georgia Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb, and for other purposes.

Mr. Williams reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize his Excellency the Governor to adjust and settle a balance due by the State to Abner P. Powers.

Mr. Murphy reported a bill for the relief of James Bush of the county of Monroe, Amos Lasseter of the county of Houston, and Robert J. Powell of the county of Upson, Teachers of poor children of said counties.

Mr. Rozier reported a bill to be entitled an act to regulate the passengers' fare for travel on the different Railroads of the State of Georgia from stations, half stations and quarter stations, so as to be at the same rate per mile that has been established by the Railroad Companies to their through termination.

Mr. Wiggins reported a bill to be entitled an act to alter the laws of this State in regard to interest on money and to repeal all conflicting laws.

Mr. Terhune presented the petition of certain citizens of the county of Floyd, relative to the payment of James T. Tucker and Paschal Brisentine of said county, for labor performed by them in improving the navigation of the Coosa river, which without being read was on motion, referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. Warthen reported a bill to be entitled an act to provide for the selection of Grand and Petit Jurors in certain cases.

Mr. Wood reported a bill to be entitled an act to change and regulate Inferior Courts of the several counties of this State.

Mr. Milledge offered a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Augusta Savings Bank.

Mr. Lawton offered a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the American Mining Company.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend the sixth section of an act passed February 13th, 1850, to incorporate a Bank in the city of Savannah to be called the Bank of Savannah.

Mr. Butts reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Island Creek Academy in Hancock county.

The following Message was received from the Senate by Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed a bill to preserve and dispose of the property and effects of Corporations after their dissolution and to provide for the payment of the debts due by the same.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Polk, the rules were suspended for the purpose of taking up the report of the committee on

the reconsidered bill to be entitled an act to lay out a new county out of the counties of Polk and Carroll and to organize the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time. Upon the question, shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded and are yeas 68, nays 50.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Haynie,	Pickett,
Avery,	Headen,	Porter,
Barrett,	Hilliard,	Powell,
Beall,	Hoyle,	Pruitt,
Bird,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Reid,
Boyd,	Hughes,	Richards,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Carroll,	Rumph,
Browning,	Johnson of Elbert,	Sapp,
Butts,	Johnson of Henry,	Shipp,
Caldwell of Walker,	Julian,	Simmons,
Cannon,	Kilgore,	Slocumb,
Cobb,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Clinch,
Cooper,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Union,
Crook,	Kitchens,	Stamper,
Cunningham,	Lane,	Stephens,
Daniel,	Lawton,	Swearingen,
Davis of Polk,	Matthews,	Terhune,
Dortmyn,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Thompson,
Fields,	M'Connel of Gordon	Wood,
Graham,	Moore,	Watts,
Graybill,	Myers,	Whitworth,
Harris of Dough'ty,	Paris,	Wynn,
Harris of Fulton,	Phillips,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Hale,	Owen,
Barron,	Harrell,	Peterson,
Barton,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Phinizy,
Battle,	Harrison,	Roberts,
Boykin of Troun,	Hill,	Sharman,
Bradford,	Hudson of Harris,	Sinquefield,
Brantley,	Johnson of Cass,	Solomon,
Brown of Burke,	Jones of Warren,	Smith of B...
Brown of Talbot,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of H...
Causey,	Lowe,	Smith of T...
Cornwell,	Maynor,	Tatom,
Cottle,	McCants,	Tharpe,
Edenfield,	McLean,	Thornion,
Faulk,	McLelan,	Warthen,
Felton,	Mobley,	Wiggins,
Gordon,	Montgomery,	Williams,
Guyton,	Murphy,	

So the bill was past.

On motion of Mr. Lewis of Green, the rules were suspended and the Senate bill to be entitled an act to amend the first section of the third article of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, was read the second time.

Also, a Senate bill to be entitled an act to preserve and dispose of the property and effects of the Corporations after their dissolution, and to provide for the payments of the same, which was read the first time.

On motion of Mr. Terhune, the rules were farther suspended and the House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act amendatory of the several acts incorporating the city of Rome in this State. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Houston, Crawford and Macon, and to attach the same to a Judicial and Congressional District, and to provide for the county site in such county. The report of the Committee on New Counties which was adverse to the passage of the same, was agreed to. The bill was therefore lost.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor, through Mr. de Graffenreid, his Secretary:

Mr. Speaker—The Governor has signed the following act, to-wit;

An act to change certain county lines therein enumerated.

Also, a resolution authorizing the Governor to employ Counsel to defend a suit instituted by the State of Alabama against the State of Georgia, to settle the boundary line between the two States on the Chattahoochee river, and to draw his warrant to pay Counsel.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor, through Mr. de Graffenried, his Secretary, which was on motion, taken up, read and referred to the Committee on Public Buildings, viz:

Mr. Speaker:—I am directed by the Governor to transmit to the House of Representatives a communication in writing with accompanying documents.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
MILLEDGEVILLE, GEO., Dec. 8, 1855. }

To the House of Representatives:

In my biennial Message to the General Assembly, I referred to the resolution of the last session, asking information as to what amount would be necessary to so repair the public buildings as to make them suitable for the purposes for which they were intended. I also informed the Legislature that I had engaged Messrs. Sholl and Fay, professional Architects, to make the necessary drawings and estimates of the ex-

pense. I have the honor herewith to transmit the result of their labors. The plan for enlarging and repairing the Capitol, meets all the demands of convenience, economy, durability and architectural taste. The accompanying letters of Messrs. Sholl and Fay describe the improvements proposed, the material to be used, and estimate the entire cost at \$97,-813 89.

In order to put the Legislature in possession of all the information at my command, I also transmit a lithograph sketch of the Capitol of Tennessee, together with a report of the Commissioners, showing that up to the first of October last, Tennessee had expended in its construction \$712,576 35, and that it will yet require for its completion an additional expenditure of \$193,761 06, making the aggregate cost of the building \$906,328 41. These documents were forwarded to me by his Excellency the Governor of Tennessee, in answer to an enquiry which I addressed to him on the subject.

Looking to the condition of your Capitol, it is obvious that the time has arrived when it is imperative upon the Legislature to do something for the comfortable accommodation of the Representatives of our great and growing State. The popular will has been forcibly expressed against the removal of the Seat of Government. Hence it becomes necessary to decide whether you will erect a new State House or improve and repair the present. Prudence and economy suggest the latter, as the better policy. A new structure will involve an expense of at least \$1,000,000; whereas, by the plans and estimates submitted, you can make the present building, in point of commodiousness and durability, amply sufficient for generations to come, by the small outlay of \$100,000. I therefore earnestly recommend that you make the necessary appropriation, and adopt such measures as will accomplish the object by the meeting of the next General Assembly.

HERSCHEL V. JOHNSON.

The Committee on the Lunatic Asylum made the following report which on motion, was taken up, read and two hundred copies thereof ordered to be printed for the use of the House, viz:

The Committee on the Lunatic Asylum having discharged the duties of their appointment, report that their investigations enable them to speak in terms of commendation of the general management of the Institution. The cleanliness exhibited on several occasions of the bed rooms and bedding of the inmates, together with the great care exercised in providing for their wants, reflects credit on the resient Physician and his sub-officers.

The financial affairs of the Institution are conducted on a most rigid system of economy, and were ascertained to be

correct as stated in the report of the Trustees and Superintendent. The obligations to make proper provisions for the care of this peculiarly unfortunate class of our fellow-citizens is now fully recognized in all civilized countries. And a most lawdable emulation is everywhere manifested in efforts to effect additional, more liberal and complete provisions for the unhappy victims of this fearful disease. In reference to which we may well say, "as ye would that others should do for you in like circumstances, so do ye for those helpless ones cast through the providence of God on your sympathy and care." Be the guardians and benefactors of those who as a writer expressed himself in the 17th century, "are the particular rent charge on the great family of mankind; left by the maker of us all like younger children who, though deprived of their estate, yet the father expected the heir to take care of them." It is a subject in which we have all a community of interest. For which it is true that those who grovel in sensuality and excess and give loose reign to the vicious passions and appetites of their nature, together with those who are left by the calculating charity of the world to the pinching of cold and hunger, with all the bitterness thereof, are specially predisposed. It is not less true, that no human being can claim exemption from the visitations of this, the direst of all calamities in the dark catalogue of this world's evils. It often happens that the most amiable, highly-gifted and wealthy, are marked as its victims, and through the mysterious influence of some unexpected mental or corporeal agency, are transformed into beings in whom the form alone indicates humanity. They become at once, sources of distress, anxiety and alarm to their nearest and dearest friends, and nothing less than nuisances to the community. Under such circumstances what a blessed work it is, how high and noble a duty, to furnish all the means through which, under providence such an one may be reinstated to all their capacities and usefulness, and the hearts of the stricken and desolate gladdened.

The necessity for making this report as brief as may be at all consistent with our duties, precludes the possibility of presenting the vast amount of facts which might be furnished verifying the foregoing opinions and statements.

While Georgia has made suitable (though not sufficiently extensive) arrangements for the care of the indigent, insane, idiotic and epileptic within her borders, no suitable provisions has yet been secured for a different class of persons whose claims we have no right to disregard, and who pay the principal proportion of your taxes, from which you derive the means of support for your pauper patients and the means of building up the Institution. And to whom, moreover, it is neither humane nor just to say, if unhappily your friends fall into such circumstances, you shall find no provisions for

them in your own State, but must seek it in those States whose enlarged benevolence has made appropriate provisions for all classes. This state of things was sought to be remedied at the last session of the Legislature, and the joint standing Committee on the Lunatic Asylum introduced a bill for the accomplishment of that object. On a motion to fill a blank in the section of that bill which specially related to the completion and perfection of the Institution, with the amount deemed necessary, a substitute for that section was offered, received and adopted. That substitute provided that his Excellency the Governor should appoint five competent disinterested individuals, from different sections of the State as Commissioners, who were to make the necessary careful examination into the whole subject and determine what additional buildings were necessary, and upon what plans they should be erected to meet the wants and subserve the interests of the people of Georgia in connection with this Institution. They were to select the plans for such buildings and report the plans so selected to his Excellency the Governor, with all necessary details and estimates, which report he should have published. To this section was added "provided their estimates do not exceed fifty thousand dollars."

Under this act the Governor appointed Dr. R. S. Arnold of Savannah, Dr. Minis of Whitfield, Col. Hines Holt of Columbus, and A. M. Nisbet, Esq. of Milledgeville, the board of Commissioners, five gentlemen of high character and unquestionable ability. Those Commissioners met and after thorough and deliberate investigation, determined upon the course which in justice to the people of Georgia it was their duty to pursue. They advertised for plans, and in due time reassembled, selected the plans and appointed a competent architect to superintend their execution. He was instructed to prepare an advertisement calling for proposals for such proportion of the material and work as would comprehend the putting up all the brick work, putting in all the doors and window frames, the entire inside framing and the putting on and covering the roof. At the expiration of the period specified in the advertisement the Commissioners again reassembled, and having received a large number of proposals for each portion of the work, and also for the supply of the different kinds of material demanded, let out the several contracts, as is shown upon favorable terms, and the execution of those contracts was promptly entered upon, satisfactory bonds having been given in every instance. The Commissioners were impelled to adopt the course pursued from several considerations. They were authorized and required to *determine* what additional buildings were necessary. Necessary for what? Why of course to meet the wants and subserve the interest of the people of Georgia in reference to

the Institution. This was truly the important question.— They were fully aware that additional room must be provided ; for according to the last census of the United States, there were more than eight hundred individuals in the State who under the law as it now stands, had a right to admission, and not one-fourth of the number was found in the Asylum. That for some years the present building had been full, and new cases could be received only as vacancies occurred, and that applications were continually on hand for the admission of our own citizens to the number of twenty or thirty—besides many from the neighboring States, who could not be entertained at all. That while there existed suitable accommodation (except in extent) for the pauper patients of the State, there was no satisfactory provisions for the educated and wealthy, and no possible chance for the most judicious clasification even of the pauper patients.— That the class of our people who could afford to pay liberally for satisfactory accommodation, and the best system of classification, were driven to the necessity of seeking an Asylum for their unfortunate friends in the institutions of other States, or keep them at home (as in most cases) under circumstances deeply afflicting to themselves and destructive of hopes of restoration to the patient. They know that in every other State Institution of the kind in the Union, suitable provisions were made for all classes of society, and while in their construction, all necessary arrangements were made for the proper restraint and care of all the inmates, every effort was made to render those edificies as unlike prison houses as possible. The alternative was before them, either to proceed to make arrangements for expending the amount which had been appropriated in patching on to those building now in use others of similar character, capable only of partially supplying the demand for additional rooms for the pauper insane of our State, with yet no suitable provisions for any other classes, thereby fixing upon the Institution more firmly and hopelessly, the character of an exclusively pauper establishment ; which they conceived could never have been contemplated by the Legislature, would be a reproach upon our people and serve to fasten upon them an annually increasing burden for its support, without the possibility of diminution. Or set on foot a plan of improvements, which, when completed, would present an institution that would be a pride and honor to our State ; provide suitably for all classes of her citizens who may unhappily become the victims of this malady ; compare favorably in its capacity of promoting the comfort and restoration of the insane with any in our country ; and if allowed to receive patients from other States, as is done elsewhere, within a few years sustain itself, or the very least we can expect, importantly diminish the amount of tax for its support. Believing firmly that such

a course was demanded by every consideration, and that with due regard to the ultimate interest and welfare of the people none other could be pursued, the Commissioners adopted the latter of the alternatives presented, confidently relying upon the wisdom, justice and benevolence of the Representatives of the people for supplying the additional means necessary for the satisfactory completion of the plan which they have adopted. And your Committee after the necessary investigations feel called upon to express our highest approbation of the course adopted by the Commissioners in this great work; and insist that such additional appropriations shall be made immediately as are necessary for the most speedy and practical completion of the buildings now in process of erection. It would not only be bad policy for our State, but it would be acting in bad faith toward the contractors, to abandon the work in its present condition, thereby affording no additional accommodation for any class of lunatics. Your Committee further insist that these appropriations shall be made before the recess of the Legislature for the purpose of settling the minds of contractors in regard to employment for the ensuing year, and securing the services of such servants as are necessary to carry on the work.

The Committee on the Lunatic Asylum also reported a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for the completion of the State Lunatic Asylum and for other purposes, which was read the first time.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Floyd and Chattooga. The same was recommitted to the Committee on New Counties.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to extend the jurisdiction of Magistrates' Courts within the corporate limits of the city of Augusta to fifty dollars. The report of the Committee on the Judiciary which was adverse to the passage of the same was not agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the several acts of the General Assembly relating to the Savannah and Albany Railroad Company, &c. The report of the Committee on Internal Improvement favorable to the passage of the same was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the several Judiciary acts now in force in this State so far as relates to Justices Courts, approved December 14th, 1811. The report of the Judiciary Committee adverse to the passage of the same was not agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the

bill to be entitled an act to give to Turners, Plumbers and Gass fitters the benefit of an act entitled an act to give to Masons and Carpenters an incumbrance for debts on account of work done and materials furnished in building and repairing houses and the premises to which they may be attached, and to repeal all laws on this subject so far as relates to the counties of Richmond and McIntosh and in the cities of Savannah, Macon and Columbus, assented to the 22d day of December, 1834, and of the laws amendatory thereof. The report of the Judiciary Committee which was adverse to the passage of the same was agreed to. and the bill was therefore lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to simplify the method of carrying cases to the Supreme Court and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Fields in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Hardy Smith of the county of Laurens. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and upon the question shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 33, nays 81.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Hudson of Harris,	Owen,
Barton,	Johnson of Elbert,	Paris,
Brantley,	King of McIntosh,	Peterson,
Butts,	Lane,	Phillips,
Cannon,	Lewis of Greene,	Reid,
Cottle,	Lowe,	Smith of Union,
Felton,	Matthews,	Stamper,
Guyton,	McClary,	Tatom,
Graybill,	McLelan,	Thornton,
Harris of Fulton,	Moore,	Warthen,
Hill,	Murphy,	Wynn.

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Brown of Talbot,	Edenfield,
Avery,	Browning,	Faulk,
Barrett,	Causey,	Fields,
Barron,	Cooper,	Graham,
Battle,	Crook,	Hale,
Beall,	Cunningham,	Harrell,
Bird,	Daniel,	Harris of Dough'ty,
Bradford,	Davis of Polk,	Harris of Meriwet'r,
Brown of Burke,	Dorminy,	Harrison,
Brown of Camden,	Dozier,	Haynie,

Headen,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Slocumb,
Hilliard,	M'Connel of Gordon	Solomon,
Hoyle,	McLean,	Smith of Bryan,
Hudson of Gwinnett	Mobley,	Smith of Clinch,
Hughes,	Montgomery,	Smith of Tattnal,
Johnson of Carroll,	Myers,	Spinks,
Johnson of Cass,	Phinazy,	Stephens,
Johnson of Henry,	Pickett,	Swearingen,
Jones of Warren,	Pruitt,	Terhune,
Julian,	Richards,	Tharpe,
Kilgore,	Roberts,	Thompson,
King of Fayette,	Rumph,	Wood,
Kitchens,	Sapp,	Walton,
Lawton,	Sharman,	Watts,
Luke,	Shipp,	Whitworth,
Maynor,	Simmons,	Wiggins,
McCants,	Sinquefield,	Williams,

So the bill was lost.

The hour of half-past one having arrived, the Speaker announced the House adjourned until half-past nine o'clock, A. M. Monday.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 10th, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Harris of Meriwether, so much of the Journals of Saturday was reconsidered as relates to the passage of the bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to alter and amend the several judiciary acts now in force in this State, so far as relates to justices' courts, approved Dec. 14th, 1811.

On motion of Mr. Guyton, so much of the Journals of Saturday as relates to the rejection of the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Hardy Smith of the county of Laurens, was reconsidered.

The following bills were reported and read the first time, viz:

Mr. Dozier reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend the oath prescribed in the tax laws of this State.

Mr. Harris of Dougherty offered a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to the legal representatives of James M. Kelly, deceased.

Mr. King of Fayette reported a bill to be entitled an act authorizing the Ordinaries of this State to issue fi fas for cost in certain cases.

Mr. Porter introduced the following resolution :

Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor be and he is hereby requested to furnish this House with the present

state of controversy between the States of South Carolina and Georgia, in relation to the boundary line between these States, which was taken up, read and agreed to.

Mr. King of McIntosh offered a bill to be entitled an act to change the name of Jane Eliza Wickes to that of Jane Eliza Thorpe, and make her the legal heir of William Thomas Thorpe, and for other purposes.

Mr. Milledge reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate a company in the county of Columbia and State of Georgia, to be known by the name and style of the Columbia Mining Company, and to grant certain privileges thereto, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Cottle reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of George W. Smith, William J. Thompson and Daniel M. Smith, contractors for the wood work of the Lunatic Asylum.

Mr. Smith of Union offered a bill to be entitled an act to authorize William R. Anderson of the county of Union to practise medicine in the county of Union, and to charge and collect for the same.

Mr. McCants reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the county line between Marion and Taylor counties.

Mr. Cooper offered a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary of Walton county to pay O. W. N. Lanier, teacher of poor children of said county, fourteen dollars and ninety-four cents, for the present year in said county, who were not returned to the Ordinary as prescribed by law.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bill, to-wit:

A bill to incorporate the Canton Mining Company of Georgia.

On motion, leave of absence was granted Messrs. Amiss and Matthews for a few days on special business.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, the rules were suspended, and the House went into committee of the whole on the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for the support of Government during the political years 1856 and 1857. A substitute for the same bearing a similar title was offered by Mr. Phillips, which was adopted. After some time spent therein the committee arose, and reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report of the committee on the substitute was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, the Clerk was instructed to transmit the same to the Senate immediately.

On motion of Mr. Thornton, the rules were further suspended, and [the House took up the report of the committee

on] the bill from the Senate to be entitled an act to amend the first section of the third article of the Constitution of the State of Georgia. The report was agreed to, and upon the question, Shall this act now pass? the yeas and nays being recorded, are yeas 116, nays 2.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Haynie,	Peterson,
Avery,	Headen,	Phillips,
Barton,	Henderson,	Phinizy,
Battle,	Hill,	Pickett,
Beall,	Hilliard,	Porter,
Boyd,	Hoyle,	Powell,
Boykin of Troup,	Hudson of Gwin'tt.	Pruitt,
Bradford,	Hudson of Harris,	Reid,
Brown of Burke,	Hughes,	Richards,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Carroll,	Roberts,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Cass,	Rumph,
Butts,	Johnson of Elbert,	Shipp,
Caldwell of Pike,	Jones of Muscogee,	Simmons,
Cannon,	Jones of Warren,	Sinquefield,
Carlton,	Julian,	Slocumb,
Causey,	Kilgore,	Solomon,
Cobb,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Bryan,
Cooper,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Hancock,
Cornwell,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cottle,	Kitchens,	Smith of Union,
Crook,	Lane,	Spinks,
Cunningham,	Lewis of Hancock,	Stamper,
Daniel,	Luke,	Stephens,
Davis of Polk,	Maynor,	Swearingen,
Dorminy,	McCants,	Tatom,
Durden,	McClary,	Terhune,
Edenfield,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Tharpe,
Faulk,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Thompson,
Felton,	McLean,	Thornton,
Fields,	McLelan,	Wood,
Gordon,	Mobley,	Walton,
Graham,	Montgomery,	Ward,
Griffith,	Moore,	Watts.
Hale,	Murphey,	Whitworth,
Harrell,	Myers,	Wiggins,
Harris of Dough'ty,	Owen,	Williams,
Harris of Fulton,	Parks,	Wimberly,
Harris of Meriwet'r,	Paris,	Wynn.
Harrison,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barrett, Bird.

So the bill was passed.

On motion of Mr. Crook, a bill from the Senate to be enti-

tled an act to preserve and dispose of the property and effects of corporations after their dissolution, and to provide for the payment of debts due by the same, was taken up and read the second time.

The following bills of the House were read the second time, and ordered to be committed for a third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for the benefit of the Georgia Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Caleb J. Moncrief and Young J. Browning, citizens of the county of Meriwether.

And a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate a bank to be called the Exchange Bank of the city of Savannah, approved February 13th, 1854.

On motion of Mr. Terhune, the House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Superior and Inferior Courts of the county of Floyd. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Terhune, the Clerk was ordered to transmit the same forthwith to the Senate.

The Committee appointed to examine the condition of the books in the Executive Department, report that they have found the same in bad order, and for remedy offer a bill to be entitled an act to authorize his Excellency the Governor to make contracts for copying or revising of books in bad order in the Executive Department of the State, and provide for the payment of the same.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Thornton in the Chair) on a bill to be entitled an act to compensate Almon Gwinn for the apprehension of William Mitchell, a fugitive from justice, and to appropriate money for the same. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. On motion of Mr. Lewis of Hancock, said bill was laid on the table for the present.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the eleventh section of the Judiciary act passed the sixteenth of February, 1799. The report of the Judiciary Committee, which was favorable to the passage of the same, was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Thornton in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Ward H. Wakefield & Co of the county of Clay. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report of the Finance Commit-

tee favorable to the passage of the same, was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter an act entitled an act to alter and amend the several acts in relation to itinerant traders and to prescribe the mode of their obtaining license. The report of the Judiciary Committee, adverse to the passage of the bill, was agreed to. The same was therefore lost.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Thornton in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for the Medical College of Georgia. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. On motion of Mr. Barton, the same was laid on the table for the present.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Thornton in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the Commissioners of the Oconee river, and to appropriate money for the same.

Mr. Guyton offered the following amendment, which was rejected, viz:

Be it further enacted, That the Commissioners of the Oconee river be relieved from all liability for the loss of the said sum of nine hundred dollars.

After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. On motion of Mr. Guyton, this bill was laid on the table for the present.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act entitled an act to alter and amend the several judiciary acts now in force in this State, so far as relates to justices' courts, approved December 14th, 1811.

Mr. Harris of Meriwether offered the following amendment, which was received, viz:

Be it further enacted, That the provisions of the second section of this bill be extended to all the counties in the State of Georgia.

The report as amended was agreed to. Mr. Terhune moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed, and upon this motion required the yeas and nays to be recorded, and are yeas 49, nays 80.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs:

Battle,	Cooper,	Graham,
Boyd,	Cottle,	Graybill,
Bradford,	Crook,	Harris of Dougherty
Brown of Talbot,	Davis of Polk,	Hilliard,
Browning,	Dozier,	Hoyle,
Caldwell of Pike,	Faulk,	Hudson of Harris,
Caldwell of Walker	Guyton,	Johnson of Cass,

Jones of Muscogee,	Paflord,	Taylor,
Jones of Warren,	Paris,	Terhune,
Kilgore,	Peterson,	Tharpe,
King of Fayette,	Phillips,	Thornton,
King of McIntosh,	Rumph,	Wood,
Lane,	Sapp,	Warthen,
Lawton,	Sharman,	Watts.
Lewis of Greene,	Sinquefield,	Wimberly,
McLelan,	Solomon,	Wynn.
Mobley,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs :

Anderson,	Griffith,	Owen,
Avery,	Hale,	Parks,
Barrett,	Harrell,	Phinizy,
Barron,	Harris of Fulton,	Pickett,
Barton,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	Porter,
Beall,	Haynie,	Powell,
Bird,	Headen,	Pruitt,
Boykin of Scriven,	Henderson,	Reid,
Boykin of Troup,	Hili,	Richards,
Brantley,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Roberts,
Brown of Burke,	Hughes,	Shipp,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Carroll,	Simmons,
Butts,	Julian,	Smith of Bryan,
Calloway,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Church,
Cannon,	Kitchens,	Smith of Hancock,
Carlton,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Tattnall,
Causey,	Lowe,	Spinks,
Cobb,	Luke,	Stamper,
Cornwell,	Maynor,	Stephens,
Cunningham,	McCants,	Swearingen,
Daniel,	McClary,	Tatom,
Dorminy,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Thompson,
Durden,	M'Connel of Gord'n,	Ward,
Edenfield,	Montgomery,	Whitworth,
Felton,	Moore,	Wiggins,
Fields,	Murphey,	Williams,
Gordon,	Myers,	

So the motion was lost. The bill was read the third time and upon the question, Shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 84, nays 45.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Bird,	Browning,
Avery,	Boykin of Scriven,	Butts,
Barrett,	Boykin of Troup,	Calloway,
Barron,	Brantley,	Cannon,
Barton,	Brown of Burke,	Carlton,
Beall,	Brown of Camden,	Causey,

Cobb,	Julian,	Reid,
Cunningham,	Kirkpatrick,	Richards,
Daniel,	Kitchens,	Roberts,
Dorminy,	Lewis of Hancock,	Rozier,
Durden,	Lowe,	Rumph,
Edenfield,	Luke,	Shipp,
Felton,	Maynor,	Simmons.
Fields,	McClary,	Slocumb,
Griffeth,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Smith of Bryan,
Hale,	McConnel of Gold'n	Smith of Clinch,
Harrell,	Montgomery,	Smith of Hancock,
Harris of Fulton,	Moore,	Smith of Union,
Harris of Meriwe'r,	Murphey,	Spinks,
Harrison,	Myers,	Stamper.
Haynie,	Owen,	Stephens,
Henderson,	Pafford,	Swearingen,
Hill,	Parks,	Tatom,
Hilliard,	Phinizy,	Thompson,
Hudson of Gwin'tt	Pickett,	Ward,
Hughes,	Porter,	Whitworth.
Johnson of Carroll,	Powell,	Williams,
Johnson of Elbert,	Pruitt,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Boyd,	Hoyle,	Phillips,
Bradford,	Hudson of Harris,	Sapp,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Cass,	Sharman,
Caldwell of Pike,	Jones of Muscogee,	Sinquefield,
Caldwell of Walker,	Jones of Warren,	Solomon,
Cooper,	Kilgore,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cottle,	King of Fayette,	Taylor,
Crook,	King of McIntosh,	Terbune,
Davis of Polk,	Lane,	Tharpe,
Dozier,	Lawton,	Thornton,
Faulk,	Lewis of Greene,	Wood,
Guyton,	McLelan,	Warthen,
Graham,	Mobley,	Watts,
Graybill,	Paris,	Wiggins,
Harris of Dougherty	Peterson,	Wynn.

So the bill was passed.

The Committee on Enrolment beg leave to report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to amend the first section of the third article of the Constitution of the State of Georgia.

On motion of Mr Thornton, the same was ordered to be transmitted by the Clerk to the Senate immediately.

The rules were suspended, and Mr. Moore reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Jackson Tiner, which was read the first time.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Milledge in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Robert McIntire of the county of Chatham. After some time spent therein, the committee arose, and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Milledge in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for certain purposes therein mentioned, and for other purposes. After some time spent therein, the committee arose, and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question, shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, but the hour of half past one having arrived, the vote was postponed by the announcement of the Speaker that the House stood adjourned until 9½ o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER, 11th, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, the rules were suspended and the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for the completion of the State Lunatic Asylum, and for other purposes, was taken up and read the second time. The same was ordered to be committed for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Fields, the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Canton Mining Company was taken up, read the second time and ordered to be engrossed for the third reading.

The House then proceeded with the unfinished business of yesterday, viz :

The bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for certain purposes therein mentioned, and for other purposes.—The yeas and nays having been required to be recorded on the passage of the bill, there are yeas 40, nays 83.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Carlton,	Hoyle,
Barton,	Crook,	Hughes,
Boyd,	Davis of Bibb,	Johnson of Cass,
Boykin of Scriven,	Davis of Polk,	Jones of Lowndes,
Bradford,	Graham,	Jones of Warren,
Browning,	Haynie,	King of McIntosh,
Caldwell of Walker,	Headen,	Lewis of Greene,
Cannon,	Hilliard,	Lowe,

M'Connel of Catoosa	Pickett,	Smith of Union,
McConnel of Gord'n	Pruitt,	Terhune,
Mobley,	Sapp,	Thompson,
Paflord,	Solomon,	Thornton
Paris,	Smith of Clinch	Wood,
Those who voted in the negative are		Messrs.
Anderson,	Harrison,	Peterson,
Avery,	Henderson,	Phillips,
Battle,	Hill,	Phinzy,
Beall,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Porter,
Bird,	Irvin,	Reid,
Boykin of Troup,	Johnson of Carroll,	Roberts,
Brown of Burke,	Johnson of Elbert,	Rozier,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Henry,	Sharman,
Brown of Talbot,	Jones of Muscogee,	Shipp.
Butts,	Julian,	Simmons,
Causey,	Kilgore,	Sinquefield,
Cobb,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Bryan,
Cooper,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Hancock
Cornwell.	Kitchens,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cottle,	Lane,	Spinks,
Cunningham,	Lawton,	Stephens,
Dorminy,	Lewis of Hancock,	Swearingen,
Durden,	Luke,	Tatom,
Edenfield,	Matthews,	Tharpe,
Faulk,	Maynor,	Walton,
Fields,	McCants,	Ward,
Gordon,	McClary,	Warthen,
Grav bill,	McLean,	Watts,
Griffith,	McLelan,	Whitworth.
Hale,	Montgomery,	Wiggins,
Harrell,	Myers,	Wimberly.
Harris of Dougherty	Owen,	Wyun.
Harris of Meriwe'r	Parks,	

So the bill was lost.

The House took up the report of the bill from the Committee on Consolidation to be entitled an act to change certain county lines therein named. On motion the same was laid on the table for the present.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Jefferson in the county of Camden and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to authorize certain persons therein named to clear out and improve the navigation of the Chattahoochee river above the Western and Atlantic Railroad and for other purposes therein named, approved January 12, 1852. The report was agreed to.—The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Thornton in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for the benefit of the Georgia Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb, and for other purposes. After some time spent therein the committee arose and reported the same back to the House through their Chairman, without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act entitled an act to compel the Judges of the Superior Courts of this State to convene at the Seat of Government in this State once in each year, for the purpose of establishing uniform rules of practice throughout this State, passed the 24th day of December, 1821. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Daniel for a few days on account of extreme illness.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate a Bank in the city of Savannah to be called the Mechanics and Traders' Bank, approved February 17, 1854. The same was on motion referred to the Committee on Banks.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Edward Stanfield of Henry county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Houston Lodge No. 95, of Free and accepted Masons and for other purposes therein named. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Nickajack Railroad and Mining company. The report was agreed to.— The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Charlton county to examine and allow to the Tax Collector of said county their insolvent list. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock, offered a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinaries in the several counties of this State, to pay accounts of Teachers of poor children in certain cases therein specified, as a substitute for a variety of bills relating to this subject. The same was on his motion made the special order for to-morrow.

The rules were suspended and the following bills being reported were read the first time, viz :

Mr. Ward reported a bill to be entitled an act to author-

ize the Governor of this State to refund any money unlawfully paid into the Treasury by the Tax Receiver or Collector or any tax payer, and his duty therein.

Mr. Jones of Warren, offered a bill to be entitled an act to tax foreign Bank Agencies doing business in this State.

Mr. Sharman reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Edward A. Flewellen of the county of Upson.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock, offered the following resolution which was taken up, read and agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor be requested to communicate to this House the terms agreed upon by the States of Florida and Georgia on which the work of the survey of the boundary between the two States should be performed, the causes of the misunderstanding between said Commissioners and any information collected which may be of value to the General Assembly in any action that may be taken upon the subject.

Mr. Lewis also reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Hancock Internal Improvement and Banking Company and to confer certain powers on the same.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to wit :

A bill to alter and amend an act passed 10th of December, 1845. to carry into effect that part of the 1st section of the 3rd article of the Constitution which requires the establishment of a Supreme Court for the Correction of Errors, so as to reduce the number of places for the sessions of said Court, and to prescribe the duties of the Clerk of said Court in certain cases, and for other purposes.

On motion, a bill from the Senate to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act passed the 10th day of December, 1845, to carry into effect that part of the first section of the third article of the Constitution which requires the establishment of a Supreme Court for the Correction of Errors, and for other purposes, so as to reduce the number of places for the sessions of said Supreme Court, and to prescribe the duty of the Clerk of said Court in certain cases, and for other purposes, was taken up and read the first time.

The Committee to whom was referred the message of his Excellency the Governor on the subject of the State Capitol, having duly considered the same and carefully examined the accompanying documents and drawings, respectfully offer the following report :

We fully concur in the sentiments expressed by his Excellency, that the time has arrived when the Representatives of the people should take prompt and decisive action in providing for the erection of a new, or the judicious enlargement of the present Capitol. The popular mind is not

only prepared for, but demands such action, and the decisive vote against removal from the present site, given in October last, should be regarded as final, and quiet every section of country on that subject. That the present building is inadequate to the ends for which it was designed, is obvious to the most superficial observer. It is lamentably defective in having no committee rooms, and in the want of size of the Representative Chamber, but if there were no defects of this kind, its dilapidated condition would demand without delay a large expenditure in repairs and patchwork.

The building has been re-covered again and again, and yet leaks badly; and if this could be remedied, the defects in its size and structure would remain.

Much speculation was indulged in by a preceding Legislature relative to the cost of such a building as Georgia should have, and estimates varied from three hundred thousand to three-quarters of a million of dollars, but competent architects, skilled in their profession, have satisfied us that, with the aid of the material entering into the present structure, a Capitol that will compare favorably with the fine ones of the country, can be erected at a cost of one hundred thousand dollars. This is far under what your Committee, unskilled in such matters, would have made, but coming from the source it does, it claims our undoubting confidence.

The form and character of the proposed building can be seen and examined on canvass by all, and a minute description of it furnished by the architect alluded to, is offered as a part of his report. One of two things must be done—reconstruct or patch. Your Committee have no hesitation in

The Committee on Public Buildings reported the following bill, which was read the first time, viz:

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to enlarge and reconstruct the State Capitol, and for other purposes.

On motion, the rules were suspended and the following bill from the Senate was taken up and read the second time, viz:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal so much of an act entitled an act to add a part of Carroll county to the county of Heard, and establish an additional election precinct in Heard county, as-sented to December 20th, 1834, as relates to the adding a part of Carroll county to the county of Heard,

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Salt Springs Academy in the county of Campbell, and to appoint trustees for the same. The report was agreed to, The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Susan Murray of

the county of Charlton. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change the time of service in relation to subpoenas issued from justice's courts to compel discoveries at common law. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Garnett Hill Mining Company of Georgia. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, the rules were suspended, when he reported a bill to be entitled an act amendatory of an act incorporating the Muscogee Railroad Company, so far as regards the qualification and election of Directors thereof, which was read the first time.

Mr. Boyd offered a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate a sum of money to improve and put in good order the road leading from Dahlonega, Morganton and Blairsville across the Blue Ridge at Coopers Gap in Lumpkin and Union counties, and to appoint commissioners to carry the same into effect. The same was read the first time.

Mr. Milledge offered the following resolution, which on his motion was taken up, read and agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That the last hour of the meetings of the House be the time when bills for a second reading shall be taken up.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Milledge in the Chair) on a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to open, build and construct a macadamised or turnpike road from the North Carolina State line through the county of Fannin, by the way of Morganton in said county, to the town of Ellijay in the county of Gilmer, to appoint commissioners for the same, and for other purposes therein mentioned. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. On motion, the bill was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvement.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to provide a remedy for mechanics and masons, and to give efficiency to the lien allowed them now by law. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to dispose of the property and effects of corporations after their dissolution, and to provide for the payment of the debts due by the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The hour of half past one having arrived, the Speaker de-

clared the House adjourned until half past nine o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12th, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Haynie, so much of the Journals of yesterday was reconsidered as relates to the rejection of the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for certain purposes therein mentioned and for other purposes. The same was referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion, the order was suspended and the House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Milledge in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to compensate Almon Gwinn for the apprehension and delivery of William Michell, a fugitive from justice and to appropriate money for the same. After sometime spent therein the committee arose and through their Chairman, reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The rules were again suspended and the House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Canton Mining Company of Georgia. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to improve the law of evidence, and allow parties in interest to testify and for other purposes, it being the special order of the day. A substitute for the same bearing a similar title which was offered by the Judiciary Committee was adopted. The report of the committee was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and upon the question shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 45, nays 83.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Durden,	McLean,
Barron,	Gordon,	Murphy,
Boykin of Scriven	Guyton,	Owen,
Brown of Burke,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	Pafford,
Brown of Camden,	Hughes,	Porter,
Brown of Talbot,	Ivin,	Richard's,
Browning,	Jones of Muscogee,	Rozier,
Burnett,	King of McIntosh,	Sharman,
Butts,	Lane,	Sinquefield,
Caldwell of Walker,	Lawton,	Smith of Bryan
Causey,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Clinch
Cornwell,	Lewis of Hancock,	Tatom,
Davis of Bibb,	Lowe,	Walton,

Warther, Williams, Wimberly,
Wiggins,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Harrison,	Paris,
Barrett,	Haynie,	Peterson,
Barton,	Headen,	Phillips,
Beall,	Henderson,	Phinzy,
Bird,	Hill,	Pickett,
Boyd,	Hilliard,	Pruitt,
Boykin of Troup,	Hoyle,	Reid,
Bradford,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Roberts,
Brantley,	Hudson of Harris,	Rumph,
Calloway,	Johnson of Carroll,	Sapp,
Cannon,	Johnson of Cass,	Shipp,
Cobb,	Johnson of Elbert,	Simmons,
Cooper,	Johnson of Henry,	Slocumb,
Cottle,	Julian,	Solomon,
Crook,	Kilgore,	Smith of Hancock,
Cunningham,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Tattoall,
Davis of Polk,	Kitchens,	Smith of Union,
Dorminy,	Luke,	Spinks,
Dozier,	Matthews,	Stamper,
Edenfield,	Maynor,	Stephens,
Faulk,	McClary,	Swearingen,
Felton,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Terhune,
Fields,	McConnell of Gord'n	Tharpe,
Graham,	McLelan,	Thompson,
Graybill,	Mobley,	Wood,
Griffith,	Montgomery,	Ward,
Hale,	Moore,	Watts,
Harris of Dough'ty,	Myers,	Whitworth,
Harris of Fulton,	Parks,	Wynn,

So the bill was lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to provide for the education of the youth of Georgia in the rudiments of an English education, the same being the special order of the day.

Mr. Milledge offered the following amendment to the first section which was received, viz: After the word education at the end of said section, the words—In the event of any vacancy occurring in said Board of Education by death, resignation, or otherwise, it shall be the duty of the Justices of the Inferior Court to advertise after twenty days notice thereof an election by the people of the county to fill said vacancy.

Mr. Terhune offered the following amendment to the second section which was received, viz: After the word counties in the fifth line of said section, add the words—And fix their tuition fees for said year, provided said Board shall

have power to discriminate in said rates between the teachers applying.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock, offered the following amendment which was received, viz: After the word Geography in the ninth line of the second section, add the words—Provided, however, that if competent teachers cannot in all cases be procured the Boards of Education may license the most competent they can get, giving preference however to the most competent.

To this Mr. Terhune offered the following which was received, viz: And in case there be more applicants than can be supplied with scholars, (qualifications being equal) said Commissioners shall select Southern men or Southern ladies as teachers in said schools to the exclusion of all others.

Mr. Crook offered the following amendment which was also received, viz: Add at the end of the second section the words—And that said Board of Education be authorized to retain the sum of one dollar out of the fund raised under the fifth section of this act for each license so granted, or so much as shall be necessary to purchase the requisite books in which to record their proceedings.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee, offered the following as a substitute for the second section as amended, which was rejected, viz:

And be it further enacted, That the Justices of the Inferior Court in each county may levy and collect such a per cent upon the State Tax as they may deem proper for the educational purposes of their respective counties, and upon the said amount being so levied and collected upon notice thereof by the said Justices to his Excellency the Governor he shall issue his warrant on the Treasury for a like sum in favor of the Board of Education, to be disbursed by them in such manner as they shall deem best calculated to promote the education of their respective counties.

On motion the bill and amendments were postponed until to-morrow, to be then taken up as the unfinished business.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bill, to-wit:

A bill granting the aid of the State of Georgia to the Brunswick and Florida Railroad Company and to the Savannah, Albany and Gulf Railroad Company, upon certain conditions therein named.

On motion of Mr. Hudson of Harris, the rules were suspended and he reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend the tax laws of this State which was read the first time.

Mr. Crook offered a bill to be entitled an act to provide for the removal of all free persons of color from this State, which was also read the first time.

The hour for reading bills the second time having arrived, the following were taken up, read and ordered to be committed for the third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to change the name of Franklin Bennett of Clinch county, to that of Franklin Sermons and to legitimize the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the 18th section of the Charter of the city of Atlanta and to confer certain powers upon the Mayor and Council.

A bill to be entitled an act to define and establish the fees of Ordinaries, Clerks of the Superior and Inferior Courts, Sheriffs, Jailors, Justices of the Peace and Constables of this State, was read the second time and on motion of Mr. Hudson of Harris, referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Battle on account of the illness of his family and to Mr. Headen on account of very special business, for a few days.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Middle Ground Railroad, to provide for its organization and to define its liabilities, which was read the second time and ordered to be committed for a third reading.

The hour of half past one having arrived, the Speaker declared the House adjourned until half past 9 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13th, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Wood offered a resolution to rescind the resolution relative to meeting and adjournment of the House, for which a substitute was offered by Mr. Lawton, accepted by Mr. Wood, and agreed to by the House, to-wit :

Resolved, That the rule of the House in reference to the time of its meeting and adjournment, be suspended on and after Monday next until the recess.

On motion of Mr. Rumph, the Senate bill to be entitled an act to lend the aid of the State of Georgia to the Brunswick and Florida Railroad Company, and to the Savannah, Albany and Gulf Railroad Company, upon certain conditions therein named, was taken up and read the first time.

Mr. Lewis of Greene offered the following resolution, which was taken up, read and agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That the matter connected with the Brunswick and Florida Railroad bill, now under consideration, be referred to a special committee of three, and that said committee report on or before Monday morning next, such documents as they may deem important to be printed for the use of the House.

The committee appointed by the Speaker under this resolution, consists of Messrs. Lewis of Greene, Lawton and Burnett.

On motion of Mr. Lewis of Hancock, that portion of the Governor's Message relative to the Atlanta Bank, and the documents accompanying the same, were referred to the Committee on Banks.

On motion of Mr. Crook, the bill to be entitled an act for the pardon of Jacob Mercer of the county of Stewart, now under sentence of death for the crime of murder, was made the special order for Saturday next.

Mr. Crook offered the following resolution, which was, on motion, taken up and adopted, viz :

Resolved, That one hundred and sixty copies of the additional testimony taken by the committee of the Senate in the case of the State vs. Jacob Mercer, be printed for the use of the House.

The Committee on Agriculture and Internal Improvement, to whom was referred the resolutions in reference to the appointment of a State Geologist, beg leave to report a bill to be entitled an act to provide for the appointment of a Geologist and Chemist for agricultural purposes for the State of Georgia.

The Committee to whom was referred the bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Floyd and Chattooga, report unanimously against its passage.

On motion of Mr. Lewis of Hancock, the bill to be entitled an act to provide for the education of the youth of Georgia in the rudiments of an English education, which was the unfinished business of yesterday, was postponed until to-morrow.

The Committee of one from each Congressional District, to whom was referred a bill to create and establish a general system of education, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to make the following report :

The subject of education is one of vital interest to the people of Georgia, not of a secondary importance. It is the great question of the day. May we not ask, is the Legislature of Georgia ready to take hold of this question? If so, let us put our heads together to accomplish this great and desirable object. It is a source of gratification to every Georgian to witness the onward progress of the cultivation of the arts and sciences, of agriculture and internal improvements in our State. It is that which has made her great, prosperous and powerful among her sister States. Yet there are other sciences strictly in connection with this, that make a people great, prosperous, powerful and happy. It is the cultivation of the mind—that which fixes the heart—that makes the man combine all those elements of individual and

natural greatness of scientific skill. We may live to look back with pleasure and admiration upon the noble deeds of those who were instrumental in preparing the way to direct the young and tender mind in the road to individual and national greatness. Some of the States have already adopted the system of general education both North and South. In the onward progress of the age, may not Georgia take an eminent stand in the front rank of her sister States, and establish a general system of education, whereby she may develop the intellect of her sons and daughters, that each one having the capacity may add a bright star to illuminate the "Empire State of the South." It may be said by some we have not the means. In answer, let us ask ourselves, are we willing? Are we prepared to drive the entering wedge to so noble and patriotic a purpose? Our State has a capital of near six million of dollars—it is the common property of the people, which has just commenced paying a handsome profit—what better use could the Legislature do than set apart a portion for educational purposes—which is the Western and Atlantic Railroad. According to the report of the Superintendent of the Western and Atlantic Railroad to his Excellency Herschel V. Johnson, for the fiscal year ending 30th of September, 1855, the nett profits of the road were \$429,047 23. The previous year the nett profits were \$338,123 00, which gives an increase of nett profit of 1855 over 1854, \$90,924 23. As the Road is rapidly progressing to its completion, as will be shown by the report alluded to, in a short time the outlay will be a mere nominal sum. Then it behooves the Legislature to come to some definite action as to what would be her policy in developing her resources, both fiscal and mental. The estimate of the nett earnings, as exhibited by the Superintendent for the year ending the 30th September, 1856, show the nett profit at \$480,000 00. The estimate for the year ending September 30th, 1857, he puts down the nett income at \$550,000 00. If a portion of the nett earnings is necessary to the completion of the construction and equipment of the Road in its present condition, it surely does not require a large amount. The remainder might with propriety be appropriated to common school purposes. Add to that the nett income arising from the poor school fund. We might in a short time, after the equipment and complete construction of the Road, set aside the whole for educational purposes, not only for common schools, but seminaries and other institutions of learning. I am instructed to report a substitute in lieu of the original bill, and recommend its passage.

Signed by the Chairman,

J. PICKETT.

The Committee to whom was referred a bill to be entitled an act to establish a general school system, to create and set apart a fund for the same, to lay off each county into school

districts, to repeal the poor school laws, and for other purposes therein named, reported as a substitute therefor, a bill bearing a similar title, which was read the first time, and on motion of Mr. Crook, two hundred copies thereof ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor, by Mr. Briscoe, his Secretary, which was on motion, taken up, read and referred to the Judiciary Committee :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT. }
MILLEDGEVILLE, GEO., Dec. 13, 1855. }

To the Senate and House of Representatives :

Scattered over the State many lots of laad remain ungranted. Applications for grants are frequently made, and in consequence of the many acts of previous Legislatures touching the subject, some of them in apparent conflict. it is often difficult to decide whether the lots applied for are grantable, and if so, under what provision of the law. There are also many fractional lots neither subject to be granted or sold under existing laws. I therefore recommend the passage of a law repealing all previous acts on the subject, and authorizing all ungranted lands of every description to be sold at the Capitol, to the highest bidder, by an agent appointed by the Executive. I advise the sale to be made here, because I believe the lands will thus command a higher price, and it will diminish the expense of selling.

The longer continuance of the head rights laws is of doubtful propriety. They should be repealed, and the Land Court appropriate to the subject abolished. The applications for grants under the head rights laws have degenerated into a positive nuisance, and in nine cases out of ten, the grants issued are unjust and oppressive to innocent holders, who have had quiet possession for almost half a century. It is not doubted that there are still vacant lands in Georgia liable to be run up and granted under existing laws. To the true value of such lands, the State is justly entitled. I submit whether it would not be wise in the Legislature to vest the original jurisdiction of all questions touching the subject in the Superior Courts of the counties in which such vacant lands may be situated. The form of proceedings may be made entirely simple, and yet protect both the rights of the State and the rights of any individual claiming the land alleged to be vacant. The passage of a law with the following provisions would meet the exigencies :

1. When any person believes land to be vacant, let him apply to the Superior Court of the county in which the land is situated for an order of survey, describing therein the boundaries of the same ; having obtained the order, let him give ten days notice to the adjacent landholders, and sixty

days notice in the nearest public gazette, that on a given day he will proceed with the County Surveyor to run the same. It shall then be the duty of the County Surveyor to return said survey, together with a correct plat showing accurately the boundary lines thereof, and all intersecting lines of adjacent lands, which shall be made the judgment of the Court that said land is vacant. But when said survey shall be returned, it shall be the right of any person, during the term of Court to which such survey is returnable, to except to the same, and suggest that the land described is not vacant; whereupon an issue shall be made up, and submitted to a special jury, to try the question of vacancy, whose verdict shall be conclusive.

2. Where land has been determined to be vacant under the provisions of this act, a certified copy of the proceedings under the seal of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the county in which the land is situated, shall be submitted to the Governor, and it shall be his duty, provided he shall be satisfied, on enquiry at the Surveyor General's office, that no grant covering said land has been legally issued, to cause the same to be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder, by a special agent by him appointed, who shall be sworn to act impartially and not to be interested directly or indirectly in such sale, and required to give bond and security, to be approved by the Governor, for the prompt payment of the proceeds of the sale into the Treasury. And the Governor shall cause to be issued a grant to the same, upon the production of the certificate of the agent by any person that he is the purchaser thereof.

3. Where any person has been in actual possession of the land alleged to be vacant, for twenty years, a grant shall be presumed to have issued, and the land not liable to be sold under the provisions of this act.

4. As an inducement to prompt to the ferreting out of such vacant lands in Georgia, it might be well to provide that the person instrumental in condemning lands vacant under the provisions of this law shall receive a reasonable per centum upon the proceeds of the sale thereof as compensation for his trouble and vigilance.

The reason which led the State of Georgia in her infancy to pass the laws on the subject of head rights, has long since ceased to exist. In her early settlement, she desired to increase her strength by population, and therefore offered inducements to the occupancy of her soil. This necessity has passed away, and hence the laws to which it gave origin, should not be continued longer.

HERSCHEL V. JOHNSON.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit :

A bill to compensate grand and petit jurors of the county of Catoosa.

A bill to compensate petit jurors of Dougherty and other counties therein named.

A bill for the relief of David A. Walker of the county of Harris, a minor in the twenty-first year of his age.

A bill to authorize Constables in and for the counties of Telfair, Irwin and Coffee, who have taken oath and given bond in terms of the law, to serve any process whatever on the Sheriffs of their respective counties, and return the same to the Court from which such process issued.

A bill to add lots of land Nos. 117 and 118 in the 6th District of Irwin to Worth county.

A bill to incorporate the Athens Guards.

A bill to change the time of holding the Superior Courts of the county of Newton, and to allow two weeks for holding the same, and for other purposes therein mentioned,

A bill for the relief of Gabriel Sisk, an infirm and indigent citizen of Habersham county.

A bill to regulate the fees of Pilots for the Port of Savannah.

A bill to repeal an act passed 18th February, 1854, to provide for the education of the poor, so far as the counties of Habersham and Carroll are concerned, and to require the Ordinary of Chattooga county to pay the widow of Harrison H. Strange a certain sum of money therein named," so far as relates to the county of Habersham, and for other purposes.

A bill for the relief of Giles Widener of the county of Gordon.

A bill to reduce the Sheriff's bond of Tattnall county.

A bill to incorporate the Sixes Mining Company.

A bill for the relief of John J. Morris and John C. Morris of Clay county.

A bill to compensate the grand and petit jurors of the county of Tattnall, and to authorize the Inferior Court to assess such additional tax as may be necessary for that purpose.

A bill to change the time of holding the Superior Courts in the counties of Crawford, Twiggs, Macon and Dooly.

A bill for the relief of Mary Ann Lee and certain other persons therein named.

A bill to protect the planters of oyster beds, and to give exclusive right to the usufruct of natural beds of oysters in certain cases, and to prevent the taking of terrapins and turtles in certain seasons.

A bill to make Austin G. L. Cheek of Carroll county the adopted heir of Martin and Elizabeth Crider.

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Brunswick and Florida Railroad Company, passed 22d December, 1835, and also to amend an act amendatory of the same, assented to the 27th December, 1833.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled, signed by the President of the Senate, and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to preserve and dispose of the property and effects of corporations after their dissolution, and to provide for the payments of the debts of the same.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinaries of the several counties in this State to pay accounts of teachers of poor children in certain cases therein specified, which was offered by the special committee on bills referring to this subject in lieu of a variety of bills embracing the subject matter of this. The same was adopted. After various amendments proposed and adopted, the report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time. On the question, Shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 77, nays 54.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barron,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Pafford,
Barton,	Harrison,	Paris,
Boykin of Troup,	Henderson,	Powell,
Brantley,	Hill,	Pruitt,
Brown of Talbot,	Hilliard,	Richards,
Browning,	Hoyle,	Rozier,
Burnett,	Hudson of Harris,	Sapp,
Butts,	Hughes,	Sharman,
Caldwell of Pike,	Johnson of Carroll,	Shipp,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Cass,	Sinquefield,
Cannon,	Johnson of Henry,	Solomon,
Carlton,	Jones of Lowndes,	Smith of Bryan,
Causey,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Clinch,
Cooper,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Hancock,
Cornwell,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Tattnal,
Cottle,	Lane,	Stamper,
Crook,	Lewis of Greene,	Tatom,
Davis of Bibb,	Lewis of Hancock,	Taylor,
Dorminy,	Lowe,	Tharpe,
Durden,	McCants,	Walton,
Edenfield,	M Connel of Catoosa,	Ward,
Felton,	Milledge,	Warthen,
Gordon,	Montgomery,	Watts,
Graybill,	Moore,	Williams,
Hale,	Murphy,	Wimberly,
Harris of Fulton,	Owen,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Haynie,	Peterson,
Avery,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Phillips,
Barrett,	Irvin,	Phinizy,
Bird,	Johnson of Elbert,	Pickett,
Boyd,	Jones of Muscogee,	Porter,
Boykin of Scriven,	Julian,	Roberts,
Bradford,	Kilgore,	Rumph,
Brown of Burke,	Kitchens,	Simmons,
Brown of Camden,	Lawton,	Slocumb,
Cobb,	Luke,	Smith of Union,
Cunningham,	Maynor,	Spinks,
Davis of Polk,	McClary,	Stephens,
Dozier,	M'Connel of Gordon	Swearingen,
Fields,	McLean,	Terhune,
Guyton,	McLelan,	Thompson,
Graham,	Mobley,	Wood,
Griffith,	Myers,	Whitworth,
Harrell,	Parks,	Wynn.
Harris of Dough'ty,		

So the bill was passed under the title thereof.

The bill to be entitled an act to aid in the construction of Railways now under charter, or hereafter to be incorporated during the session of this General Assembly, was read the second time, and ordered to be committed for a third reading; also, a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate a sum of money for the payment of the claim of Thomas E. Patton, assignee of Thomas Brice.

On motion, a bill from the Senate to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act passed the 10th day of December, 1845, to carry into effect that part of the first section of the third article of the Constitution which requires the establishment of a Supreme Court for the Correction of Errors, and for other purposes, so as to reduce the number of places for the sessions of said Supreme Court, and to prescribe the duty of the Clerk of said Court in certain cases, and for other purposes, was taken up, read the second time, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The rules were temporarily suspended, and the following bills were reported and read the first time, viz :

Mr. Swearingen reported a bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Baker and Early.

Mr. Wood offered a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the North Georgia Mining Company.

Mr. Cottle reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Superior and Inferior Courts of Sumter county.

Mr. Lawton of Chatham reported a bill to be entitled an

act for the relief of the Bank of the State of Georgia.

Mr. McClary offered a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank in the town of Morgain, to be called the Bank of Morgain.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Wiggins for a few days on account of the illness of his family.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, it was agreed that the Speaker appoint a committee of three to audit the accounts of members and officers of the House.

The hour of half past one having arrived, the Speaker declared the House adjourned until half past nine o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14th, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Haynie, it was agreed that the Auditing Committee shall consist of five instead of three.

Mr. Guyton offered the following resolution which was on motion taken up, read and agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That the Auditing Committee be instructed in auditing accounts, to allow mileage only for the most direct public route from the Seat of Government to the place of residence of each respective member.

On motion of Mr. Graham, so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the passage of the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinaries of the several counties in this State to pay accounts of the Teachers of poor children in certain cases therein specified, was reconsidered.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to provide for the education of the youth of Georgia in the rudiments of an English education, the same being the unfinished business. After some time spent in amending the same, the hour set apart for reading bills the second time arrived and its further consideration was postponed.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed a bill of the House of Representatives declaratory of the intention of an act entitled an act for the relief of honest debtors, approved December 19th, 1823, with an amendment in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Hudson of Harris, the rules were suspended and the bill of the House to be entitled an act declaratory of the intention of an act entitled an act for the relief of honest debtors, approved December 19th, 1823, which passed the Senate with an amendment was taken up, the

amendment concurred in and the Clerk instructed to report the same to the Senate without delay.

On motion of Mr. Hudson of Harris, the rules were further suspended and the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act for the relief of David A. Walker of the county of Harris, a minor in the twenty-first year of his age, was taken up, read the first time and ordered to be committed for the second reading.

Mr. Lawton from the Committee on Internal Improvement, to whom was referred a bill to be entitled an act to dispose of the Okefenokee Swamp lands, belonging to the State of Georgia, to provide for the draining of the same and for other purposes, reported as a substitute therefor, a bill to be entitled an act to provide for the survey of the Okefenokee Swamp, and for other purposes.

The same Committee to whom was referred a bill to be entitled an act to encourage Internal Improvement in the State of Georgia, reported the same back to the House without amendment or recommendation.

Mr. Irvin from the Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred a bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act passed the 10th of November, 1845, appointing the places for holding the Supreme Court, recommends the passage of the same.

Also, report the following bills back with amendments, and recommend their passage, viz:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the 7th section of the 2nd article of the Constitution so as to define and restrict the pardoning power of the Legislature, and a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Griffin Savings and Mutual Loan Association.

The same also report adversely to the passage of the bill to be entitled an act to legalize certain warrants for lands and to constitute the Inferior Court of Effingham county, a Land Court, &c.

The Committee on Internal Improvement, to whom was referred a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Highwassee Railroad Company, reported the same back to the House without amendment or recommendation.

The bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for the completion of the State Lunatic Asylum and for other purposes was on motion of Mr. Phillips, made the special order for to-morrow.

Mr. Ward reported a bill to be entitled an act to add an additional clause to the sixteenth section and first article of the Constitution, restricting the General Assembly in the appropriation of money or the credit of the State to one hundred thousand dollars over the ordinary and necessary expenses of the State, unless the same is submitted to and ap-

proved by a majority of the legal voters of the State except in case of war, which was read the first time.

The following bills were also reported and read the first time, viz:

Mr. Griffith reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Lexington in the county of Oglethorpe, and to provide for the election of Intendant and Commissioners therefor, to define their powers and duties and for other purposes.

Mr. Powell reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend the several acts now in force regulating the fees of Magistrates and Constables in the State of Georgia, so far as relates to the county of Decatur, and to provide for the mode of collecting the same.

Mr. Pruitt offered a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the New Lebanon Presbyterian Church in Franklin county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Hebron Presbyterian Church and for other purposes.

The following Message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker :—The Senate has concurred in the resolution of the House appointing a joint committee to examine the various suitable localities on or near the line of some one of our Railroads, with a view to the selection of the most advantageous point for the erection of a State Prison, and appointed Messrs. Dunnagan and Pharr on their part under said resolution.

The following bills were read the second time and ordered to be committed for a third reading.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Fredonia Academy in the county of Baker, and to appoint Trustees for the same.

A bill to organize and lay out a new county from the counties of Jackson, Gwinnett and Walton, which was referred to the Committee on New Counties.

A bill to be entitled an act to ratify and confirm the act of incorporation of the Atlanta Loan and Building Association, and to legalize the acts of the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Atlanta Male College, and to appoint Trustees for the same, &c.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Effingham county to order the payment of the Superintendents, Clerks, and those who consolidate the returns of elections of said county for their services.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the several Judiciary acts now in force in this State, so far as relates to justices' courts, approved December 14th, 1811.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the January and October elections in the State of Georgia, from the first

Monday in January and October to the first Wednesday in January and October.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act entitled an act to amend an act passed the 17th day of December, 1817, to authorize parties to compel discoveries at common law, approved 20th Feb. 1834.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the several laws in relation to the poor school system so far as relates to the county of Lumpkin.

A bill to be entitled an act to relieve practising physicians in certain cases from jury duty.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the seventh section of the second article of the Constitution, so as to confer upon the General Assembly of the State of Georgia the power to commute punishment in capital offences.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the Sheriffs of Bryan county in certain cases.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize and require the Ordinary of Monroe county to pay to James H. Perdue, a teacher of poor children in the county of Monroe in the year 1854, his account for teaching certain poor children.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the United Riflemen of the city of Columbus, and to extend to them certain privileges.

The following bill was read the second time and on motion, one hundred and sixty copies were ordered to be printed for the use of the House, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the several acts in regard to the Public Printing and the election of Printer, the manner of printing and binding the laws and printing the journals, and the distribution thereof, and the printing of bills, reports and other documents, the duties of the Governor, Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House of Representatives, and Compilers, the liability of the Public Printer, and Secretary and Clerk, &c.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House a joint resolution to appoint a committee to select a site for the State Prison.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Houston county to levy an extra tax for the years 1856 and 1857, for the purposes therein mentioned, upon the conditions specified.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Planters' Club of Hancock county, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act for the benefit of Isaac C. Moore, a teacher of poor children for the year 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the name of William Adams of Hart county to that of William Dooly, and legitimatize the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize John Slater of the county of Bryan, to administer medicine and receive compensation therefor.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the 6th section of the 9th division of the penal code of Georgia, so as more effectually to prevent duelling, and to prescribe the duties of the Judges of the Superior Courts in certain cases.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of White Plains in Greene county, and to confer upon the citizens of said town the privilege of electing town commissioners with certain powers therein enumerated.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Georgia College of Science and Agriculture, and to confer powers on the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the High Town Mining Company of Georgia, was also read the second time and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Thompson and Warthen for a few days on special business, and to Mr. Anderson for a few days on account of the illness of his family.

The hour of half-past one having arrived, the Speaker announced the House adjourned until half-past nine o'clock, A. M. to-morrow.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15th, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. McConnell of Gordon county, for a few days on account of the illness of his family, and to Messrs. Sinquefield, Smith of Tattnall, and Hill of Troup, for a few days on account of special business.

Mr. Wood offered the following resolution which on motion, was taken up, read and adopted, viz :

Resolved, That in reading the Journals the yeas and nays shall be omitted unless the reading of the same be specially called for by some member of the House.

On motion of Mr. Lewis of Hancock, the bill to be entitled an act to provide for the education of the youth of Georgia in the rudiments of an English education was postponed until Monday next, it being the unfinished business of yesterday.

The rules were suspended and the following bills were reported and read the first time, viz :

Mr. Crook reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Company to be called the Western and Atlantic Railroad Company, and to lease to said Company the Western and Atlantic Railroad for the term of twenty years, two

hundred copies of which were ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Harris of Dougherty, offered a bill to be entitled an act to alter and change the line between the counties of Dougherty and Lee so as to include in the county of Dougherty the lands of Thomas H. Moughon and Dr. John B. Gilbert.

Mr. Cornwell reported a bill to be entitled an act to compensate John T. Riley, William T. Whitfield and John D. Crawford for services rendered.

Mr. Boykin offered a bill to be entitled an act to authorize Ransom Rogers, sen. of the county of Scriven, to practice medicine and charge therefor.

Mr. McLelan reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize Ephram Youn of the county of Telfair, to peddle in the counties of Telfair and Montgomery without paying any fee for license for the same.

Mr. Hoyle offered a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to compensate persons who may be compelled to attend the Superior Courts of this State as witnesses in behalf of the State in counties other than where such person or persons may reside.

Mr. Harris of Fulton, reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of James Roundtree of the county of Fulton.

Mr. Thornton offered a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Mason Tiller of the county of Lee.

Mr. Lawton reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate the Ogechee Plank Road Company and for other purposes therein named, approved January 22d, 1852.

The committee to whom was referred a bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to settle and fix the hours of labor by all white persons, under twenty-one years of age, in all cotton, woollen and other manufacturing establishments in this State and to make all contracts to labor in said factories for a greater length of time than [herein] prescribed null and void, and to punish violations of this act, so far as relates to the county of Chattooga, recommend that the caption and body of the bill be amended by striking out the words so far as relates to the county of Chattooga, so as to extend its provisions to the State at large. With this amendment the passage of the bill is unanimously recommended by the committee.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Lewis of Hancock, in the Chair) upon the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for the completion of the State Lunatic Asylum and for other purposes. After sometime spent therein the committee arose and through their Chairman, reported the same back to the House without amendment — The report of the committee was agreed to. On motion the

bill was read by sections, and upon the question of agreeing to the first section, which reads as follows :

That the sum of fifty-five thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated annually for the years 1856 and 1857 for the completion of the State Lunatic Asylum, and his Excellency the Governor is hereby authorized and required to issue his warrants for the same at such times and such sums as in his judgment may be necessary and best to carry on the work now in progress to its completion—the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 86, nays 39.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barron,	Graham,	Montgomery,
Barton,	Graybill,	Pafford,
Bartlett,	Griffith,	Paris,
Bird,	Hale,	Phillips,
Boyd,	Harris of Fulton,	Phinzy,
Boykin of Troup,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Pickett,
Bradford,	Haynie,	Porter,
Brantley,	Henderson,	Powell,
Brown of Camden,	Hilliard,	Richards,
Brown of Talbot,	Hoyle,	Sapp,
Browning,	Hudson of Harris,	Sharman.
Burnett,	Hughes,	Shipp,
Butts,	Johnson of Elbert,	Sinquefield,
Caldwell of Pike,	Johnson of Henry,	Smith of Bryan,
Caldwell of Walker,	Jones of Lowndes,	Smith of Clinch,
Cannon,	Jones of Muscogee,	Smith of Hancock.
Carlton,	King of McIntosh,	Spinks,
Causey,	Kirkpatrick,	Stephens,
Cobb,	Lane,	Tatom,
Cooper,	Lawton,	Terhune,
Cottle,	Lewis of Greene,	Tharpe,
Crook,	Lewis of Hancock,	Thompson,
Cunningham,	Lowe,	Thorn'ton,
Davis of Bibb,	Matthews,	Wood,
Dozier,	McClary,	Walton,
Durden,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Watts,
Edenfield,	McLelan,	Williams,
Gordon,	Milledge,	Wimberly,
Guyton,	Mobley,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Dorminy,	Irvin,
Beall,	Faulk,	Johnson of Carroll,
Boykin of Scriven,	Fields,	Johnson of Cass,
Brown of Burke,	Harrell,	Jones of Warren,
Cornwell,	Harris of Dough'ty,	Julian,
Davis of Polk,	Harrison,	Kilgore,
Dawson,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Kitchens,

Luke,	Peterson,	Solomon,
Maynor,	Roberts,	Swearingen,
McLean,	Rozier,	Taylor,
Murphy,	Rumph,	Ward,
Myers,	Simmons,	Whitworth,
Owen,	Slocumb,	Wynn,
Parks,		

So the same was agreed to.

The second section was read and on motion of Mr. Phillips, stricken out. The third was read and agreed to.

Mr. Haynie offered the following as an additional section, viz :

Be it further enacted, That his Excellency the Governor be and he is hereby required to require of the Contractors for the work, bond and security to complete the same according to the plan and specifications which have been adopted by the Commissioners heretofore appointed, and he is positively required not to pay out any money under this appropriation until such bond and security are executed. The same was agreed to, and the bill being read the third time, upon the question of the passage thereof, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded and are yeas 86, nays 36.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Edenfield,	M'Connelof Catoosa
Barron,	Gordon,	McLelan,
Barton,	Guyton,	Milledge,
Bartlett,	Griffith,	Mobley,
Bird,	Hale,	Montgomery,
Boyd,	Harris of Dough'ty,	Pafford,
Boykin of Troup,	Harris of Fulton,	Paris,
Bradford,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Phillips,
Brantley,	Haynie,	Phinizy,
Brown of Burke,	Henderson,	Pickett,
Brown of Talbot,	Hoyle,	Porter,
Browning,	Hughes,	Powell,
Burnett,	Johnson of Carroll,	Richards,
Butts,	Johnson of Elbert,	Sapp,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Henry,	Shipp,
Cannon,	Jones of Lowndes,	Sinquefield,
Carlton,	Jones of Muscogee,	Smith of Bryan,
Causey,	Kilgore,	Smith of Clinch,
Cobb,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Hancock,
Cooper,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Union,
Cottle,	Lane,	Spinks,
Crook,	Lawton,	Stamper,
Cunningham,	Lewis of Greene,	Tatom,
Davis of Bibb,	Lewis of Hancock,	Taylor,
Davis of Polk,	Lowe,	Terhune,
Dozier,	Matthews,	Tharpe,
Durder.	McClary,	Thornton,

Wood,
Walton,

Watts.

Wimberly,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Johnson of Cass,	Parks,
Beall,	Jones of Warren,	Peterson,
Boykin of Scriven,	Julian,	Pruitt,
Cornwell,	King of Fayette,	Reid,
Dawson,	Kitchens,	Roberts,
Dorminy,	Luke,	Rumph,
Faulk,	Maynor,	Solomon,
Fields,	McLean,	Swearingen,
Harrell,	Murphey,	Ward,
Hudson of Gwin'tt.	Myers,	Whitworth,
Hudson of Harris,	Owen,	Wynn.
Irvin,		

So the bill as amended was passed under the title thereof.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act declaratory of the intention of the act entitled an act for the relief of honest debtors, approved on the 19th of December, 1823, and to allow persons arrested under mesne process the benefit of the same.

On motion of Mr. Crook, the bill to be entitled an act for the pardon of Jacob Mercer of the county of Stewart, now under sentence of death for the crime of murder, was taken up and indefinitely postponed.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the bill asking an appropriation of two thousand dollars for the construction of a Market Road over Taylor's Ridge in the county of Chattooga, have had the same under consideration and now report, that in consideration of the action of the present as well as the past Legislatures, in affording aid for building and opening roads and improving the navigation of rivers in other sections of the State, the application now made should be favorably responded to.

The vallies of Chattooga county, as well as much of its up lands, are vastly productive, and the aggregate of it surplus annually seeking a market very considerable. But these productive lands are begirt by mountains, not the least of which is Taylor's Ridge, whose elevation is near 1200 feet above the level of the vallies and rolling lands beneath. Over this Ridge the farmers of the county have to wagon on their way to market, all their surplus crop of cotton, wheat, rye, barley, oats, &c. and their necessary home supplies of goods, groceries, iron, &c. In the vicinity of the Ridge for miles the lands are more sterile and thereby inhabited, and consequently too feeble in number if they possessed the will and energy to make a good road. For these and other reasons unnecessary to detail, your committee recom-

mend the passage of the bill appropriating one instead of two thousand dollars for that purpose.

The Finance Committee to whom was also referred the order of his Excellency the Governor on the subject of having an Index made out and kept in the Secretary of State's Office as an easy means of reference to the Colonial and Head Rights Records, have examined into the subject and concur in the opinion that such Index is not only needed but greatly wanted, not only to abridge labor but to preserve the books. We therefore report the following bill, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the preservation of the Public Records and for other purposes.

The following Message was received from the Senate by Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bill of the House of Representatives, to-wit :

A bill appropriating money for the support of Government for the political years 1856 and 1857, with amendments in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Committee on the equalization of the labors of the Judicial Circuits beg leave to report that they have been unable to arrive at the facts necessary to digest a plan which meets the approval of said Committee. They therefore report back the bills which have been referred without any expression of opinion as to the merits of either and beg leave to be discharged from the further consideration of the same. On motion, this report was taken up and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, the rule was suspended and the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for the support of Government during the political years eighteen hundred and fifty-six and eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, which was reported in the message from the Senate of this day with certain amendments, was taken up and the House having concurred in a portion of said amendments and refused to concur in others, the Clerk was instructed to transmit the same to the Senate immediately.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Phillips, King, Mobley, Brown, Hilliard, Walton and Taylor for a few days.

The bill to be entitled an act for the relief of David A. Walker of the county of Harris, a minor in his twenty-first year of his age, was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed for the third reading.

The Special Committee to whom was referred the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Rebecca B. B. Cohen and others with accompanying memorial, beg leave to report, that Mordicai Sheftall the ancestor of the memorialists, was a brave and meritorious officer of the Continental Army, with the rank of Colonel and continued faithfully to dis-

charge the duties incident to that command until made a prisoner of war by the British Troops.

By the 10th section of an act passed 22d February, 1784, a certain amount of land was reserved by metes and bounds to make good the engagements of the State of Georgia to the Continental Soldiery. A warrant to cover 1150 acres of this reserve was issued to Colonel Mordicai Sheftall.

By an act passed 11th of May, 1803, it was provided that all the land derived from the Creek Nation should be laid off and distributed to the citizens of Georgia by Lottery.— Under this act a drawing took place in the year 1805, which included the lands in Baldwin now Putnam county, in which the 1150 acres before referred to was included, by which the same was intirely lost to the said Colonel Mordicai Sheftall. Your Committee consider the claim of the heirs of the said Mordicai Sheftall upon the State of Georgia a meritorious one, and recommend that compensation be made for the loss sustained by the act of the State which disposed of this land by Lottery. Estimating the value of this land at one dollar and a quarter per acre, at the time it was disposed of by the State the tract was then worth fourteen hundred and thirty-seven dollars and fifty cents. Your Committee are of the opinion that this sum with interest from the year 1805 would be a fair compensation. To carry out these views, your Committee herewith respectfully submit a substitute for the original bill, to-wit :

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Rebecca B. B. Cohen and Perla S. Solomons of Savannah, heirs of Moses and Mordicai Sheftall.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Simmons, Swearingen, Smith of Union, Haynie and Hudson of Harris.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize his Excellency the Governor to adjust and settle the balance due by the State to Abner P. Powers was read the second time and on motion, referred to the Judiciary Committee.

On motion a bill from the Senate to be entitled an act for the relief of James Henry Fannin of the county of Troup, a minor in the twenty-first year of his age, was taken up and read the first time.

The rules were suspended and Mr. Fields reported the following resolution which on motion, was taken up, read and adopted, viz :

Resolved, That this House will grant leave of absence to no member until after the recess unless on account of sickness of himself or family.

Mr. Fields also reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize Thomas R. Gibbs an infirm man, to peddle without paying for license, was read the first time.

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the passengers' fare for travel on the different Railroads of the State of Geor-

gia from stations, half stations and quarter stations, so as to be at the same rate per mile that has been established by the Railroad Companies to their through termination, was read the second time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The following bills were read the second time and ordered to be committed for a third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to require agents at the depots of the Western and Atlantic Railroad to receipt for and mark produce, &c.

A bill to be entitled an act to reduce the Sheriff's Bond of the Sheriffs hereafter to be elected in the county of Hart, from the sum of twenty thousand dollars to the sum of ten thousand dollars.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Summerville Academy, Emanuel county.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Dougherty and Worth.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Coffee and Appling so as to include lot of land number two hundred and eighteen in the second district of Appling county, in the county of Coffee, it being the lot of land whereon Elbert Simmons now resides.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter the laws of this State in regard to interest on money and to repeal all conflicting laws.

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate election Precincts in the county of Pulaski.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of James Bush of the county of Monroe, Amos Lasseter of the county of Houston, and Robert J. Powell of the county of Upson, Teachers of poor children of said counties.

A bill to be entitled an act to cause the several Banks now in operation or that may be hereafter in operation in this State, to pay the same per centum of tax for county purposes on their capital stock, real estate and other property as individuals pay on their taxable property.

On motion of Mr. Crook, the House adjourned until Monday, 10 o'clock, A. M.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 17th, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Fields moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of Saturday as relates to the passage of the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for the completion of the State Lunatic Asylum, and for other purposes.

Upon the question of reconsideration, the yeas and nays

were required to be recorded, and are yeas 83, nays 40.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Battle,	Harris of Fulton,	Paris,
Beall,	Harris of Meriw'r,	Peterson,
Bird,	Headen,	Phinizy,
Boyd,	Hoyle,	Pickett,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Porter,
Bradford,	Hudson of Harris,	Powell,
Brown of Burke,	Irvin,	Pruitt,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Carroll,	Reid,
Calloway,	Johnson of Cass,	Roberts,
Causey,	Johnson of Elbert,	Rozier,
Cooper,	Jones of Lowndes,	Rumph,
Cornwell,	Jones of Warren,	Sharman,
Crook,	Julian,	Shipp,
Cunningham,	Kilgore,	Sinquefield,
Daniel,	King of Fayette,	Slocumb,
Davis of Bibb,	Kirkpatrick,	Solomon,
Davis of Polk,	Kitchens,	Smith of Clinch,
Dawson,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Hancock,
Dorminy,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Union,
Dozier,	Luke,	Spinks,
Edenfield,	Matthews,	Stephens,
Faulk,	Maynor,	Tharpe,
Felton,	McLean,	Wood,
Fields,	Montgomery,	Ward,
Gordon,	Moore,	Watts,
Griffith,	Owen,	Whitworth,
Hale,	Pafford,	Wimberly.
Harrell,	Parks,	Wynn.

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Graybill,	Milledge,
Barrett,	Harris of Dough'y,	Murphy,
Bartlett,	Haynie,	Myers,
Brantley,	Henderson,	Phillips,
Browning,	Hughes,	Richards,
Burnett,	Jones of Muscogee,	Sapp,
Butts,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Bryan,
Cannon,	Lane,	Stamper,
Carlton,	Lawton,	Swearingen,
Cobb,	Lowe,	Tatom,
Cottle,	McClary,	Terhune,
Durden,	McConnel of Catoosa,	Thornton,
Guyton,	McLelan,	Williams.

So the motion prevailed.

Mr. Lewis of Greene, from the special committee appointed to enquire what documents accompanying the bill to be entitled an act to lend the aid of the State to the Brunswick and Florida Railroad, &c., are necessary to be printed, of-

ferred a report, which was laid on the table for the present.

The following message was received from the Senate by Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate insists upon its several amendments to the bill of the House of Representatives appropriating money for the support of the Government for the political years 1856 and 1857, and ask the House to recede from its disagreement.

The Senate has also passed a bill regulating the collection of jury fees in the Superior and Interior Courts of the county of Coweta.

Also, a bill to incorporate Macedonia Academy in Coweta county, and to appoint trustees for the same.

On motion of Mr. Terhune, Mr. Haynie was added to the committee appointed to examine the several suitable locations for a State Prison.

On motion of Mr. Ward, Mr. Cannon was also added to said committee.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee offered a resolution relative to the examination of the books of the Departments of this State, the object of which is the preservation of the same.

On motion, a bill from the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize Lewis Zeigler of the State of Louisiana, and Henry Zeigler of the State of Alabama, to qualify and act as Executors of the last will and testament of William Zeigler, late of Crawford county, deceased, was taken up and read the first time.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, the House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Lewis of Hancock in the Chair) upon the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for the completion of the State Lunatic Asylum, and for other purposes, which was this day reconsidered. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. Pending the discussion of the bill, Mr. Crook moved to adjourn until three o'clock P. M. The yeas and nays were required to be recorded on this proposition, and are yeas 18, nays 99.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Battle,	Guyton,	Kilgore,
Browning,	Graham,	McLean,
Crook,	Graybill,	Paris,
Dorminy,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Peterson,
Edenfield,	Jones of Lowndes,	Stamper,
Felton,	Jones of Warren,	Watts,
Gordon,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Bartlett,	Bird,
Barron,	Beall,	Boyd,

Boykin of Scriven,	Headen,	Parks,
Boykin of Troup,	Henderson,	Phinizy,
Bradford,	Hoyle,	Pickett,
Brown of Burke,	Hudson of Harris,	Porter,
Brown of Talbot,	Irvin,	Powell,
Burnett,	Johnson of Carroll,	Pruitt,
Butts,	Johnson of Cass,	Reid,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Elbert,	Roberts,
Cannon,	Jones of Muscogee,	Rozier,
Carlton,	Julian,	Rumph,
Causey,	King of Fayette,	Sapp,
Cobb,	King of McIntosh,	Sharman,
Cooper,	Kirkpatrick,	Shipp,
Cottle,	Kitchens,	Sinquefield,
Cunningham,	Lawton,	Slocumb,
Daniel,	Lewis of Greene,	Solomon,
Davis of Bibb,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Bryan,
Davis of Polk,	Lowe,	Smith of Clinch,
Dawson,	Luke,	Smith of Hancock,
Dozier,	Matthews,	Smith of Union,
Durden,	Maynor,	Spinks,
Faulk,	McClary,	Stephens,
Fields,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Swearingen,
Griffith,	McLelan,	Terhune,
Hale,	Milledge,	Tharpe,
Harrell,	Montgomery,	Thornton,
Harris of Dougherty,	Moore,	Wood,
Harris of Fulton,	Murphy,	Ward,
Harris of Meriwe'r,	Myers,	Whitworth,
Harrison,	Owen,	Wimberley,
Haynie,	Pafford,	Wynn.

So the motion to adjourn was lost.

A message from the Executive Department was received through Mr. deGraffenried, and laid on the table.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed a bill to amend an act to alter and change the mode of appointing trustees of Glynn county Academy, and to compel their treasurer to give bond and security, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to change the residence of Frederick Merit, sen., from the county of Coffee to the county of Irwin, and certain other county lines therein mentioned.

The Senate has also passed the following bill of the House of Representatives, to-wit:

A bill for the relief of Francis Pousell, an infirm and indigent person.

The Committee on Enrolment beg leave to report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act for the relief of Francis Pousell, an infirm and indigent person.

Mr. Phillips offered the original bill as a substitute for the substitute.

Mr. Irvin offered the following amendment, viz :

Provided that the several sums herein appropriated shall be paid from the nett earnings of the Western and Atlantic Railroad, and in the event of a sale or lease of said Road, then from said sale or lease.

Pending the discussion of this amendment, the House on motion adjourned until 3½ o'clock P. M.

HALF PAST THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and resumed the consideration of the unfinished business of the morning, which was the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for the completion of the State Lunatic Asylum, and for other purposes.

The yeas and nays were required to be recorded on the amendment of Mr. Irvin to the first section of the original bill offered by Mr. Phillips as a substitute for the substitute, and are yeas 63, nays 53.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Felton,	McLelan,
Barron,	Gordon,	Montgomery,
Bartlett,	Guyton,	Moore,
Battle,	Hale,	Murphey,
Beall,	Harris of Dougherty	Myers,
Boykin of Scriven,	Harris of Meriwe'r	Owen,
Boykin of Troup,	Harrison,	Peterson,
Brown of Burke,	Haynie,	Phillips,
Brown of Talbot,	Headen,	Powell,
Browning,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Pruitt,
Caldwell of Pike,	Hudson of Harris	Richards,
Carlton,	Hughes,	Rumph,
Causey,	Irvin,	Sinquefield,
Cobb,	Johnson of Carroll,	Slocumb,
Cooper,	Johnson of Cass,	Smith of Bryan,
Cornwell,	Kirkpatrick,	Swearingen,
Cottle,	Lawton,	Tatom,
Davis of Bibb,	Lewis of Greene,	Tharpe,
Doramy,	Luke,	Thornton
Dozier,	McClary,	Wimberly.
Edenfield,	McLean,	Wynn.

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barron	Bird,	Boyd,
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Bradford,	Henderson,	Pickett,
Brantley,	Johnson of Elbert,	Porter,
Burnett,	Jones of Warren,	Roberts,
Butts,	Julian,	Sapp,
Caldwell of Walker,	Kilgore,	Sharman,
Cannon,	King of Fayette,	Shipp,
Crook,	King of McIntosh,	Solomon,
Cunningham,	Kitchens,	Smith of Clinch
Davis of Polk,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Hancock
Dawson,	Lowe,	Smith of Union,
Durden,	Matthews,	Spinks,
Faulk,	Maynor,	Stephens,
Fields,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Terhune,
Graham,	Milledge,	Wood,
Griffith,	Pafford,	Ward,
Harrell,	Parks,	Watts,
Harris of Fulton,	Phinazy,	Whitworth.

So the amendment was received.

Mr. Fields moved to strike out the words "fifty-five thousand" from the first section. Upon this proposition, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 49, nays 71.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Battle,	Headen,	Pickett,
Beall,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Pruitt,
Bird,	Hudson of Harris,	Reid,
Boykin of Scriven,	Johnson of Cass,	Roberts,
Calloway,	Jones of Warren,	Rozier,
Cannon,	Julian,	Rumph,
Cobb,	Kilgore,	Sapp,
Cooper,	King of Fayette,	Sharman,
Davis of Polk,	Kitchens,	Shipp,
Dawson,	Luke,	Slocumb,
Dorminy,	Maynor,	Solomon,
Edenfield,	McLean,	Stephens,
Faulk,	Murphy,	Ward,
Fields,	Myers,	Watts,
Hale,	Owen,	Whitworth,
Harrell,	Peterson,	Wynn.
Harris of Meriwe'r,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Browning,	Crook,
Barron,	Burnett,	Cunningham,
Bartlett,	Butts,	Davis of Bibb,
Boyd,	Caldwell of Pike,	Dozier,
Boykin of Troup,	Caldwell of Walker,	Durden,
Bradford,	Carlton,	Felton,
Brantley,	Causey,	Gordon,
Brown of Burke,	Cornwell,	Guyton,
Brown of Talbot,	Cottle,	Graham,

Graybill,	Lewis of Greene,	Richards,
Griffith,	Lewis of Hancock,	Sinquefield,
Harris of Dough'ty,	Lowe,	Smith of Bryan
Harris of Fulton,	Matthews,	Smith of Clinch
Haynie,	McClary,	Smith of Hancock,
Henderson,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Smith of Union,
Hughes,	McLelan,	Spinks,
Irvin,	Milledge,	Stamper,
Johnson of Carroll,	Montgomery,	Tatom,
Johnson of Elbert,	Moore,	Terhune,
Jones of Lowndes,	Pafford,	Tharpe,
Jones of Muscogee,	Phillips,	Thornton,
King of McIntosh,	Phinizy,	Wood,
Kirkpatrick,	Porter,	Wimberly.
Lawton,	Powell,	

So the motion to strike out was lost.

During the consideration of this bill, an Executive message was received and laid on the table.

Mr. Harris of Fulton offered the following amendment, which was received, viz: After the word "appointed" in the 3d section, and according to the present estimate of the expenditure made by the Commissioners and adopted by the Committee, and his Excellency is hereby required to confine the operations of the contractors within the limits of this appropriation, according to the true intent and meaning of this section, limiting the amount of expenditure within the respective amounts appropriated.

The substitute and amendments were adopted. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and upon the question, Shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 67, nays 53.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Cobb,	Hughes,
Barron,	Cornwell,	Irvin,
Bartlett,	Cottle,	Johnson of Carroll,
Battle,	Cunningham,	Johnson of Elbert,
Boyd,	Davis of Bibb,	Jones of Lowndes,
Boykin of Scriven,	Durden,	Jones of Muscogee,
Boykin of Troup,	Felton,	King of McIntosh,
Bradford,	Guyton,	Kirkpatrick,
Brantley,	Graybill,	Lawton,
Brown of Burke,	Griffith,	Lewis of Greene,
Brown of Talbot,	Harris of Dougherty	Lewis of Hancock,
Browning,	Harris of Fulton,	Lowe,
Burnett,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	Matthews,
Butts,	Harrison,	McClary,
Carlton,	Haynie,	McLelan,
Causey,	Henderson,	Milledge,

Montgomery,	Richards,	Stamper.
Moore,	Sinquefield,	Tatom,
Pafford,	Smith of Bryan,	Tharpe,
Phillips,	Smith of Clinch,	Thornton,
Phinizy,	Smith of Hancock,	Wood,
Porter,	Spinks,	Wimberly.
Powell,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Headen,	Pickett,
Beall,	Hudson of Gwin'tt	Pruitt,
Bird,	Hudson of Harris,	Reid,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Cass,	Roberts,
Calloway,	Jones of Warren,	Rozier,
Cannon,	Julian,	Rumph,
Cooper,	Kilgore,	Sapp,
Crook,	King of Fayette,	Sharman,
Davis of Polk,	Kitchens,	Shipp,
Dawson,	Luke,	Slocumb,
Dorminy,	Maynor,	Solomon,
Dozier,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Stephens,
Edenfield,	McLean,	Terhune,
Faulk,	Murphey,	Ward,
Fields,	Myers,	Watts,
Graham,	Owen,	Whitworth.
Hale,	Parks,	Wynn.
Harrell,	Peterson,	

So the bill was passed.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Daniel, Parks and McCants for a few days on account of sickness.

The rules were suspended, and Mr. Slocumb reported a bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Early and Baker, which was read the first time.

On motion, the House adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER, 18th, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Ward of Butts, the following messages from the Executive Department, which were received on yesterday, were taken up and read :

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor, through Mr. de Graffenried, his Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Governor has approved and signed the following act, to-wit ;

An act declaratory of the intention of the act entitled an

act for the relief of honest debtors, approved on the 19th of December, 1823, and to allow persons under mesne process the benefit of the same.

He has also signed a resolution to appoint a committee to select a site for the State Prison.

I am also instructed to deliver to the House of Representatives, a communication in writing.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
MILLEDGEVILLE, GEO., Dec. 17, 1855. }

In reply to the resolution calling for information touching the controversy between the States of South Carolina and Georgia, in relation to the boundary line between the two States, I have the honor to inform the House of Representatives that South Carolina has instituted no judicial proceedings against the State of Georgia. The difference now, as heretofore, consists in the assertion of certain rights on her part and a denial thereof on ours. Even correspondence on the subject ceased two years ago.

HERSCHEL V. JOHNSON.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor, through Mr. deGraffinried, his Secretary :

Mr. Speaker:—I am directed by the Governor to transmit to the House of Representatives a communication in writing with accompanying documents.

In compliance with a resolution asking the terms of agreement between the late Commissioners of the States of Florida and Georgia, on which the work of the survey of the boundary between the two States was to be performed, I have the honor to transmit a copy of that instrument, executed June 20th, 1854. The disagreement between them, which led to an abrupt suspension of the work, grew out of their respective interpretations of the 1st article, which is as follows :

“1st. It is agreed that each party shall co-operate with the other, in all surveys, explorations and observations desired by either party.”

Having made explorations and observations in and about the Okefenokee Swamp and Ellicott's Mound, in search of the head waters or true source of the St. Mary's river, they then, under the agreement, made similar observations near and about Lake Randolph. The Florida Commissioner was of opinion that the head of the St. Mary's was at or near Ellicott's Mound, whereas the Georgia Commissioner believed that Lake Randolph was the true source of that river. Differing thus upon this important subject, the Georgia Commissioner proposed to run a line from each of those points westwardly to the junction of the Flint and Chattahoochee rivers, to which he understood the Florida Commissioner to assent, under the first article of the agreement of

the 20th of June, 1854 They commenced to run the more Northern line, that is to say, the line from near the Mound, and had progressed with it very considerably. But pending this survey, the Georgia Commissioner ascertained from the Florida Commissioner that he did not intend to co-operate in running the Lake Randolph line. Considering this refusal to be a palpable violation of their agreement, the Georgia Commissioner withdrew from the field and discontinued the work.

The correspondence between the two Commissioners and between the Georgia Commissioner and this Department is very voluminous. Hence, I do not furnish you with a copy thereof, not deeming it important in determining the proposition of Florida to negotiate a settlement. It is, however, subject to your inspection, and will be even communicated, if called for. It is due to the Georgia Commissioner to say that his action met the entire approbation of the Executive, that he took no step without full consultation with me, and that I consulted freely with Judge Berrien, throughout the entire progress of the proceedings.

HERSCHEL V. JOHNSON.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to wit:

A bill to authorize the Ordinaries of Whitfield, Lincoln and Fulton counties to pay teachers of poor children for certain years therein named.

A bill for the relief of Wm. J. P. Phinizy of Monroe county, a minor in the 21st year of his age.

A bill to legalize the place of holding the Justice's Court in the 537th District G. M. of Upson county.

A bill to change the mode of apportioning the poor school fund of Baker county, with the counties of Dougherty and Calhoun.

A bill to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Warren county to levy an additional tax to defray the annual expenses of the county and one-third of its indebtedness.

A bill to authorize and require the Ordinary of Jackson county to pay to D. M. Burns, jr., his account for teaching poor children of said county in the year 1850.

A bill to alter and amend an act to appropriate money to remove obstructions from the Big and Little Ohoopie rivers, approved February 4th, 1854.

A bill to incorporate Elberton Male Academy, and County Line Academy in the county of Marion.

A bill to allow Tax Collectors their insolvent lists by Grand Juries of the several counties of this State.

A bill to authorize and require the Treasurer of Glynn County Academy to pay over certain monies in his hands.

The Senate has also passed the following bills of the House of Representatives, to-wit :

A bill to change the time of holding the Inferior Court of Spalding county.

Also, a bill to change the time of holding the Superior and Inferior Courts of the county of Floyd.

The Senate has also passed the following resolution, in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives, to-wit :

Resolved, That a Committee of two be appointed on the part of the Senate and three on the part of the House, who shall form a joint Committee, whose duty it shall be to proceed to the Western and Atlantic Railroad, and make a thorough examination of said Road, its finances, equipment, general management, and all other matters appertaining to said Road of interest to the State ; and that said Committee may discharge their duties more efficiently, they are hereby empowered to procure such assistance as they may find necessary ; to examine all books and papers connected with the business of said Road—to compel the attendance of all persons whose testimony they may desire, and to call upon the Superintendent and all other officers and agents of said Road for such information and assistance in the discharge of their duties as they may deem necessary ; and the Committee be authorized to discharge the duties assigned them by this resolution during the vacation of the General Assembly, if they desire to do so—and have appointed on their part Messrs. Murphey and Simms.

On motion, the rules were suspended, and the following bills being reported, were read the first time, viz :—

Mr. Harris of Meriwether reported a bill to be entitled an act to make executors and administrators liable for costs in certain cases.

Mr. McLean of Bulloch offered a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Methodist Episcopal Church at New Hope, Bulloch county, and to appoint trustees for the same.

Mr. Harris of Fulton reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Felix Sowers of the county of Fulton.

Mr. Brown reported a bill to be entitled an act to allow practising Attorneys to serve as Justices of the Peace in Burke county.

Mr. Matthews offered a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Fort Valley in the county of Houston, and to provide for the election of Commissioners for the same.

The bill to be entitled an act to provide for the education of the youth of Georgia in the rudiments of an English education, having been postponed until to-day, was taken up, and on motion made the special order of the day for the 18th day of January, 1856.

The following resolution, offered by Mr. Jones of Musco-

gee on yesterday, was taken up as the unfinished business of that day, and read, viz:

Whereas the books of some of the Departments of this State have been grossly abused, both by the insertion of fraudulent and forged entries, and to a shameful extent mutilated by the indiscriminate handling by persons who have no responsibility for their custody—therefore.

Be it Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Georgia in General Assembly met, That from the passage of this resolution the officers of the various Departments shall permit no examination of the books of those Departments unless by order of the Governor under his hand and seal, or by order of either branch of the General Assembly.

Resolved further, That when any person wants information from the said books, the officer in charge shall give a transcript from the same, and is hereby entitled to charge for the same the same rates as Clerks of the Superior Courts are by law entitled to charge for exemplifications from their records.

Mr. Harris of Dougherty offered the following amendment, which was received, to-wit:

“Provided that the provisions of the above resolution shall not extend to any citizen of the State of Georgia.”

On motion, the resolution as amended was laid on the table.

The Committee on Journals beg leave to report that they have examined and compared the Journals with the record, and find them kept in a very neat and correct manner; that the record is made out in a most beautiful and clerical hand, to the praise of the principal Clerk and to the credit of those working under his instructions in this department of his business; that in consideration of the arduous duties performed by the recording Clerks and the impossibility of keeping the record up with the business of the House, and inasmuch as they have yet to complete and record from the 10th inst. up to the adjournment, your Committee would recommend the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Recording Clerks of the House be allowed ten days during the recess to bring up the records of the present Session—which was taken up, read and agreed to.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the 7th section of the 2d Article of the Constitution, so as to define and restrict the pardoning power of the Legislature. The same had been amended, lost and reconsidered. The report as amended was agreed to. Upon the question, Shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were recorded, and are yeas 93, nays 11.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs :

Avery,	Felton,	McLelan,
Barrett,	Fields,	Milledge.
Barron,	Gordon,	Montgomery,
Bartlett,	Guyton,	Moore,
Beall,	Graham,	Myers,
Bird,	Graybill,	Parks,
Boyd,	Hale,	Paris,
Boykin of Scriven,	Harrell,	Peterson,
Boykin of Troup,	Harrison,	Pickett,
Bradford,	Headen,	Porter,
Brantley,	Henderson,	Pruitt,
Brown of Burke,	Hoyle,	Reid,
Brown of Talbot,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Richards,
Browning,	Hughes,	Roberts,
Burnett,	Irvin,	Rumph,
Butts,	Johnson of Carroll,	Sharman,
Caldwell of Pike,	Johnson of Elbert,	Shipp,
Caldwell of Walker,	Jones of Muscogee,	Sinquefield,
Calloway,	Jones of Warren,	Slocumb,
Carlton,	Julian,	Smith of Clinch,
Causey,	Kilgore,	Smith of Hancock,
Cobb,	King of Fayette,	Spinks,
Cooper,	Lane,	Stamper,
Cottle,	Lawton,	Terhune,
Crook,	Lewis of Greene,	Thornton,
Cunningham,	Lewis of Hancock,	Wood,
Davis of Polk,	Lowe,	Ward,
Dawson,	Matthews,	Watts.
Dorminy,	Maynor,	Williams,
Dozier,	McClary,	Wimberly,
Faulk,	McLean,	Wynn.

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs :

Battle,	Hudson of Harris,	Owen,
Griffith,	Kirkpatrick,	Rozier,
Harris of Dougherty,	Kitchens,	Stephens,
Harris of Meriwe'r,	Murphey,	Whitworth,

So the bill as amended was passed under the title thereof and ordered to be transmitted by the Clerk to the Senate without delay.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to encourage internal improvement in the State of Georgia, and on motion of Mr. Pickett, the same was made the special order of the day for January 21st, 1856.

On motion of Dr. Guyton, the rules were suspended, and he presented for the consideration of the House a statement of facts relative to the forgery of an account, certificate, &c. by which the per diem and mileage of Mr. Causey were

fraudulently drawn from the Treasury of the State. On his motion, the subject was referred to a special committee consisting of Messrs. Irvin, Lewis of Hancock, and Ternune.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act to settle and fix the hours of labor by all free white persons, under twenty-one years of age, in all cotton, woollen and other manufacturing establishments in this State and to make all contracts to labor in said factories for a greater length of time than herein prescribed null and void, and to punish violations of this act, so far as relates to the county of Chattooga. On motion of Mr. Milledge, the same was laid on the table for the present.

The following report was taken up, read, amended by adding to the list of documents to be printed, the Report of the Secretary of the Navy relative to the establishment of a Naval Depot at Brunswick, Georgia, and adopted as amended, viz :

The committee appointed to report what accompanying documents they should deem proper to be printed with the bill to be entitled an act to lend the aid of the State of Georgia to the Brunswick and Florida Railroad Company upon certain conditions therein named, beg leave to report as follows, viz: They consider it important to print for the use of each member of the House of Representatives, a copy of the Report of the President of the Brunswick and Florida Railroad Company, with the proceedings of the stockholders at their annual meeting held at Brunswick, Georgia, May 3d, 1855, since said Report contains what purports to be a true statement of the past adverse fortunes and the reasons thereof, the present liabilities, and prospects of future success of said Company, together with the names and residences of the Directors of the same, besides other valuable information, which it would be impracticable to detail in a brief report.

M. W. LEWIS, Ch. of Com.

The Committee to whom was referred the matter brought before the House by the Representative from Laurens, relative to a forgery passed upon the Treasury, purporting to be the claim of the Representative from Kinchafoonee, report. that upon an examination it is evident that the claim paid is a forged one, and should not fall as a loss upon the Treasurer, because of the loose manner of passing these accounts through this House. Therefore,

Be it Resolved, That the Treasurer be authorized to enter said account, purporting to be in favor of J. A. Causey, in the warrant drawn by the Speaker, and to receive a credit for the amount paid out on said account, and that hereafter the Treasurer pay no accounts to members or officers of this House until certified to have been entered in the Speaker's warrant, provided nothing herein contained shall

prevent members and officers of this House from drawing from the Treasury advances upon their per diem as provided by act of this Session; and that the Governor be requested to offer a proper reward for the apprehension of the person guilty of said forgery.

Mr. Ward offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was taken up, read and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That the Governor be authorized and requested to have shelves put in the committee rooms of the Representative Hall, and to pay for the same out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Mr Calloway reported a bill to be entitled an act to add an additional section to the 4th division of the Penal Code of this State.

On motion, a Senate bill to be entitled an act to authorize Lewis Zeigler of the State of Louisiana, and Henry Zeigler of the State of Alabama, to qualify and act as Executors of the last will and testament of William Zeigler, late of Crawford county, deceased, was taken up and read the second time.

The House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act passed the 10th of November, 1845, appointing the places for holding the Supreme Court. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed, and ordered to be transmitted to the Senate by the Clerk without delay.

Mr. Lawton offered the following resolution, which on motion was taken up and read, viz:

Resolved, That after the 22d day of January next, there shall be no new matter received in this branch of the General Assembly, unless by the unanimous consent thereof.

Mr. Sharman moved to lay the same on the table for the remainder of the Session. Upon this proposition the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 54, nays 51.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Battle,	Crook,	Jones of Muscogee,
Boykin of Troup,	Dawson,	Jones of Warren,
Brantley,	Dorminy,	Kirkpatrick,
Brown of Talbot,	Durden,	Lane,
Burnett,	Faulk,	Lewis of Greene,
Butts,	Felton,	Lowe,
Caldwell of Walker,	Guyton,	M Connel of Catoosa
Calloway,	Graham,	Milledge,
Carlton,	Hale,	Murphy,
Causey,	Harrell,	Owen,
Cobb,	Harris of Fulton,	Pafford,
Cooper,	Hoyle,	Paris,
Cottle,	Hudson of Harris,	Peterson,

Phinizy,	Sapp,	Tatom,
Pickett,	Sharman,	Tharpe,
Powell,	Solomon,	Thornton,
Pruitt,	Smith of Bryan,	Whitworth,
Richards,	Smith of Clinch,	Williams,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Harris of Dough'ty,	Montgomery,
Barrett,	Harris of Meriwet'r.,	Myers,
Barron,	Headen,	Parks,
Beall,	Henderson,	Porter,
Bird,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Reid,
Boyd,	Hughes,	Roberts,
Boykin of Scriven,	Irvin,	Rozier,
Bradford,	Johnson of Elbert,	Rumph,
Brown of Burke,	Julian,	Shipp,
Browning,	Kilgore,	Slocumb,
Caldwell of Pike,	Lewis of Hancock,	Stamper,
Cunningham,	Luke,	Stephens,
Daniel,	Matthews,	Terhune,
Davis of Polk,	Maynor,	Wood,
Edenfield,	McClary,	Ward,
Fields,	McLean,	Watts,
Graybill,	McLelan,	Wynn.
Griffith,		

So the motion prevailed.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of James H. Estis of Troup county, which was read the first time.

The following bills were reported and read the first time, viz:

Mr. Headen reported a bill to be entitled an act to appoint trustees for Hall County Academy.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to carry into effect the amended Constitution of this State in reference to the Ordinaries of said State, and for other purposes, assented to January 21st, 1852.

Mr. Irvin reported a bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the third, fourth and twelfth sections of the first article of the Constitution of this State. Two hundred copies of the same were, on motion of Mr. Terhune, ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, the House adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock, A. M.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19th, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Ward, the House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize Lewis Zeigler of the State of Louisiana, and Henry Zeigler of the State of Alabama, to qualify an act as Executors of the last will and testament of William Zeigler, late of Crawford county, deceased. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

On motion, the House took up the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for the support of Government during the political years eighteen hundred and fifty-six and eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, which had been amended in the Senate and returned to the House for its concurrence.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee, moved that the House insist upon its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate by which the salary for the Judges of the Supreme Court proposed in said bill is reduced from three thousand dollars to twenty-five hundred dollars. Upon this proposition the yeas and nays were required to be recorded and are yeas 48, nays 53.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Bartlett,	Felton,	Moore,
Boykin of Scriven,	Guyton,	Pafford,
Bradford,	Griffith,	Paris,
Brown of Burke,	Harris of Fulton,	Phinizy,
Browning,	Henderson,	Porter,
Burnett,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Powell,
Butts,	Hughes,	Reid,
Caldwell of Pike,	Jones of Muscogee,	Sapp,
Carlton,	Kirkpatrick,	Solomon,
Cobb,	Lawton,	Smith of Hancock,
Cooper,	Lewis of Greene,	Tatom,
Cottle,	Lewis of Hancock,	Terhune,
Crook,	Lowe,	Wood,
Dawson,	Matthews,	Ward,
Dozier,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Williams,
Durden,	Milledge,	Wimberly,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Edenfield,	Julian,
Barrett,	Faulk,	Kilgore,
Battle,	Fields,	King of Fayette,
Beall,	Gordon,	Kitchens,
Bird,	Graham,	Lane,
Boyd,	Hale,	Luke,
Boykin of Troup,	Harrell,	Maynor,
Brantley,	Harris of Dough'ty,	McClary,
Brown of Talbot,	Headen,	McLean,
Causey,	Johnson of Carroll,	McLennan,
Cunningham,	Johnson of Elbert,	Montgomery,
Davis of Polk,	Jones of Warren,	Murphy,

Owen,	Sharman.	Stephens,
Peterson,	Shipp,	Taylor,
Pickett,	Slocumb,	Watts,
Pruitt,	Smith of Bryan,	Whitworth,
Roberts,	Smith of Clinch,	Wynn,
Rumph,	Spinks,	

So the motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Pickett, the House agreed to said amendment.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, the House refused to recede from their disagreement to the amendment appropriating the sum of one hundred and fifteen dollars as a compensation for furnishing a copy of the Laws of the last General Assembly, to the Clerks of the Courts in the several counties in this State, by John W. Duncan, Esq. of Baldwin county.

Mr. Dawson moved that the House recede from its refusal to concur in the amendment providing for the compensation of the Clerk of the Supreme Court for furnishing copies of the opinion of said Court in the cases of Jesse Mercer of the county of Stewart, and John T. Boyd of the county of Muscogee, which motion was lost.

On motion, the rules were suspended and Mr. Dawson reported a bill to be entitled an act to confer certain privileges upon R. H. Lampkin of the county of Greene, and to make lawful his act and to give him authority to transact business as though he were of full age, which was read the first time.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bill from the House of Representatives, to-wit:

A bill to authorize and direct his Excellency the Governor of Georgia to draw his warrant on any funds in the State Treasury for the payment of the principal, interest and costs of a judgment in Baldwin Superior Court, in favor of A. P. Rood, Adm'r. of Mrs. Blanch G. Gibson, versus the Central Bank of Georgia, and for other purposes therein named.

The Senate has also agreed to the following resolution, to-wit:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That from and after the second Monday in January next, that neither branch of the General Assembly will entertain any new bill to authorize persons to peddle or for the incorporation of Camp Grounds, Academies or other incorporations which by law the Inferior Courts of the respective counties can incorporate, unless it be where such incorporation may have been refused by any Inferior Court of any county or counties of this State.

Also, a bill to make Sarah Catharine Simmons and John

Jackson Simmons the adopted heirs of Hardy Pitts and Nancy Pitts.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House, an act to change the time for holding the Superior and Inferior Courts in the county of Floyd.

Also, an act to change the time of holding the Inferior Court of the county of Spalding.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock, offered the following resolution which on motion, was taken up, read and agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That D. W. Lewis a Representative from the county of Hancock, be authorized to receipt to the Treasurer for the per diem and mileage due the Honorable B. F. Carter from Murray county.

Mr. Wood offered the following resolution which was on motion, also taken up, read and agreed to, viz :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Georgia in General Assembly met, That his Excellency the Governor be requested and authorized to furnish the county of Fannin with a set of standard weights and measures.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change the lines between the counties of Randolph and Calhoun. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter and change the name of Franklin Burnett of Clinch county, to that of Franklin Sermons, and legitimatize the same. This bill was ruled out of order by the Speaker.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Hillsboro in the county of Floyd, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to, The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to grant certain privileges unto, and incorporate the Oostanaula Steamboat Company. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change the corporation line of the city of Rome, so as to exclude the lands of Lewis D. Burwell, now in said city. The report was agreed to.— The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the resolution of the Senate relative to the appointment of a Joint Committee to examine and report the condition of the Western and Atlantic Railroad, which was read and concurred in. The Clerk was instructed to report the same to the Senate without delay. The

committee appointed by the Speaker under said resolution are Messrs. Hill of Troup, Terhune and Phillips.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Hartwell in the county of Hart, and for other purposes therein named. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Goshen Mining Company. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John H. Kelly of the county of Hancock. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to grant to certain persons therein named the right to build a Bridge across the Chattahoochee on certain conditions therein named. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills of the House of Representatives, to-wit :

A bill to allow the Interior Court of Washington county to levy an extra tax for the building of a Court-house and Jail in said county.

A bill to incorporate the town of Cusseta in Chattahoochee county, to render the County Site permanent, to appoint an Intendant and Commissioners and to regulate the duties of the same.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled, signed by the President of the Senate, and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

• An act to authorize Lewis Zeigler of the State of Louisiana, and Henry Zeigler of the State of Alabama, to qualify and act as Executors of the last will and testament of William Zeigler late of Crawford county, deceased.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the building, opening and constructing a railroad from some point in the county of Union or in the county of Fannin, which may be agreed upon by the Directors of said railroad, or a majority of them hereinafter mentioned, running up the valley of Little Hightower river in the county of Union, to connect with the Northeastern Railroad (now contemplated) in the county of Rabun or Habersham, or with some other railroad or contemplated railroad, and to grant corporate powers and privileges to the same, which on motion, was made the special order for the 15th day of January, 1856.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to legalize and make valid all warrants for lands in the county of Effingham, heretofore issued by the Justices of the Inferior Court of that county, or by one or more of said Justices in connection with one or more Justices of the peace of said county, or issued by their order, and to constitute the Inferior Court of said county of Effingham a land court for the issuing of warrants for lands in said county, according to the head right laws now of force in this State—which on motion was recommitted to the Judiciary Committee.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Griffin Savings and Mutual Loan Association. The same was laid on the table for the present.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, the House adjourned until 7 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20th, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Committee on Enrolment beg leave to report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to authorize and direct his Excellency the Governor to draw his warrant on any funds in the State Treasury for the payment of the principal, interest and cost of a judgment in Baldwin Superior Court in favor of A. P. Rood, Administrator of Mrs. Blanche Gibson, versus the Central Bank of Georgia, and for other purposes therein named.

Also, an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Washington county to levy and collect an extra tax for the building of a Court-house and Jail in said county.

Also, an act to incorporate the town of Cusseta in the county of Chattahoochee, and to render permanent the county site, and appoint Intendent and Commissioners and regulate the duties of the same.

Also, an act to alter and amend an act passed the 10th of December, 1845, appointing the places for holding the Supreme Court.

The following message was received from the Senate by Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they adhere to their amendments to the bill of the House appropriating money for the support of the Government for the political years 1856 and 1857, authorizing his Excellency the Governor to draw his

warrant in favor of John W. Duncan and the Clerk of the Supreme Court for certain sums therein specified.

The following Message was received from the Senate by Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bill of the House of Representatives, to-wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the selection and permanent location of a county site in the county of Wayne, to authorize the building of a new court-house, and the laying of an extra tax, and for other purposes therein specified.

On motion of Mr. Terhune, the House then adjourned until Monday morning, the 14th January, 1856, at 11 o'clock.

MONDAY, JANUARY 14th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called, and there not being a quorum present, on motion of Mr. Wood of Fannin, the House adjourned until 9½ o'clock, to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 15th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Haynie, the Clerk was requested to read the rules of the House.

Mr. Crook reported a bill to be entitled an act to promote the settlement of the territories of the United States, which was read the first time.

On motion, the regular order was suspended, and the following bills of the Senate were read the first time, viz:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate the Brunswick and Florida Railroad Company, passed 22d December, 1835, and also to amend an act amendatory of the same, assented to the 27th December, 1838.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Mary Ann Lee of the county of Ware, and for other persons herein named, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to add lots of land Nos. 117 and 118 in the 6th District of Irwin county to the county of Worth.

A bill to be entitled an act to compensate grand and petit jurors of the county of Catoosa.

A bill to be entitled an act to compensate the petit jurors of the counties of Dougherty, Lee, Worth, Calhoun and Polk.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Constables in and for the counties of Telfair, Irwin and Coffee, and who have taken oath and given bond in terms of the law, to serve any process whatever on the Sheriffs of their respective counties, and return the same to the Court from whence such process issued.

A bill to be entitled an act to protect the planters of oyster beds, and to give exclusive right to the usufruct of natural beds of oysters in certain cases, and to prevent the taking of terrapins and turtles in certain seasons.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Athens Guards, and to confer upon them certain powers, and grant to them certain privileges and exemptions therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Atlanta Female College, located in Atlanta, and to confer powers on the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to regulate the granting of new trials, approved February 20th, 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to compel all persons living in the county of Wayne to give in and pay their taxes in said county, for all property in the State, so far as relates to the counties of Glynn and Camden, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Hydrant Water Company of Columbus.

A bill to be entitled an act to give the election of County Treasurer of the counties of Taylor, Chattooga, Chattahoochee, Calhoun, Spaulding, Rabun, Walker, Polk, Worth, Fannin, Campbell and Clinch, to the legal voters of said counties.

A bill to be entitled an act to define the liability of the several Railroad companies of this State, for injury done to persons or property, to prescribe in what counties they may be sued and how served with process.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Carroll county to levy an extra tax for the purpose of building a new Court-house in said county.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Brunswick in the county of Glynn, to define its jurisdictional limits, to provide for the election of the Mayor and City Council and such other officers as may be required, and confer upon them special powers, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act passed 18th February, 1854, to provide for the education of the poor, so far as the counties of Habersham and Carroll are concerned, and to require the Ordinary of Chattooga county to pay the widow of Harrison H. Strange a certain sum therein named, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Giles Widener of the county of Gordon.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Gabriel Sisk, an infirm and indigent citizen of the county of Habersham.

A bill to be entitled an act to add the county of Carroll to the 4th Congressional District.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act to prevent the killing of deer at certain periods of the year in the counties of Burke and Worth, so far as relates to the county of Worth.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the residence of Frederick Merit, sen., from the county of Coffee to the county of Irwin, and to change several county lines therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Superior Court of the county of Newton, and to allow two weeks for holding the same, and for other purposes therein mentioned,

A bill to be entitled an act to compensate the grand and petit jurors of the county of Tattnall, and authorize the Inferior Court to assess such additional tax as may be necessary for that purpose.

And a bill to be entitled an act to regulate the fees of Pilots for the Port of Savannah.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee offered the following resolution, which was taken up, read and agreed to, and ordered to be transmitted by the Clerk to the Senate without delay, viz :

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Georgia, That the Superintendent of the Western and Atlantic Railroad be instructed to give to Major Jefferson Buford of Alabama, and his company of Kansas Emigrants, and any other company of like character, upon their presentation to him of satisfactory evidence of their intention to emigrate to the territory of Kansas, a free passage over the State Road on their way to said territory.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to wit :

A bill to incorporate Macon Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, and to confer certain privileges and exemptions.

A bill to amend the fifth section of an act incorporating the Trustees of the Southern Botanical Medical College, approved Dec. 11th, 1839.

A bill to authorize the Judge of the Superior Court of the county of Whitfield to draw two panels of grand and petit jurors.

A bill to incorporate the Athens Gas Light Company.

A bill to prohibit the payment of storage on cotton in the city of Columbus by farmers after selling from their wagons.

A bill to authorize John W. Grantham, an infirm citizen

of Cobb county, to peddle in the counties of Cobb, Cherokee and Paulding, without a license for that purpose.

A bill to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court in the counties of Telfair, Fannin and Clinch to lay off said counties into school districts, to appoint trustees for the same, and to provide for the election of a treasurer for each of said districts, and for other purposes therein named.

A bill to authorize and require the Poor School Commissioner of the county of Warren to pay Ezra McCrary out of the Poor School Fund of said county, the amount paid by him as Justice of the Peace out of his individual funds for teaching poor children in said county in the years 1837 and 1838.

A bill to amend the charter of the Southern Mutual Insurance Company,

A bill for the relief of teachers of poor children in the several counties of this State for the years 1853, '54 and '55.

A bill to repeal all laws consolidating the offices of Tax Receiver and Tax Collector in the county of Irwin.

A bill to incorporate and confer certain privileges and powers on the Sandersville Hotel Company, the Pioneer Hook and Ladder Company, and the Church Asylum of Augusta.

On motion, the House adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the building, opening and constructing a railroad from some point in the county of Union or in the county of Fannin, which may be agreed upon by the Directors of said road, or a majority of them hereinafter mentioned, running up the valley of Little Hightower river in the county of Union, to connect with the Northeastern Railroad now contemplated in the county of Rabun or Habersham, or with some other railroad or contemplated railroad, and to grant corporate powers and privileges to the same. being the special order of to-day, the report thereon was taken up, when on motion of Mr. Lewis of Hancock, the same was recommitted to the Committee on Internal Improvement with instruction to report as to the propriety of its passage.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Shorman for a few days on account of special business; also to Messrs. Murphy, Dawson and Wood of Fannin.

The following bills were reported and read the first time, viz:

Mr. Fields reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Finch Mining Company of Cherokee county, Georgia.

Mr. Terhune reported a bill to be entitled an act to legalize the revision of the jury boxes and the drawing of the Grand and Petit Jurors of the county of Floyd, for the next term of the Superior Court of said county.

Mr. Pruitt offered a bill to be entitled an act to divorce James E. Henry and Mary E. Leaster of the county of Franklin.

Mr. Harris of Fulton, reported a bill to be entitled an act to extend the provisions of an act to amend the several acts now in force regulating the fees of Magistrates and Constables in the State of Georgia, so far as relates to the counties of Bibb, Richmond, Monroe and Lee, and to provide for the mode of collecting the same, approved January 22d, 1852, to the county of Fulton.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee, offered a bill to be entitled an act to provide for the collection of the costs of the Clerk of the Supreme Court.

Mr. Smith of Tattnall, reported a bill to be entitled an act to punish any person or persons obstructing Bull creek in the county of Tattnall.

Mr. Julian reported a bill to be entitled an act to grant the aid of the State of Georgia to the Forsyth and Lumpkin Railroad. One hundred and sixty copies of the same was ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Cunningham offered a bill to be entitled an act to alter the line between Cherokee and Forsyth counties so as to include lot of land 1189, in Forsyth county.

Mr. Wiggins reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Taylor and Marion so as to include lots of land number 243 in the 3rd district and 33 in the 12th District now in the county of Marion in the county of Taylor.

Mr. Hudson reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Gwinnett county to pay the Sheriff's of said county for summoning jurors and waiting upon the Courts, and for other purposes.

Mr. Johnson of Cass, reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Etowah Manufacturing and Mining Company ; and a bill to be entitled an act to regulate the collection of jury fees in the county of Cass.

Mr. Smith of Tattnall, offered a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act in relation to the measuring of timber, and the appointment of measurers and inspectors and to punish violations of the same.

Mr. Montgomery reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Nancy Stanton and Daniel D. Henry, teachers

of poor children of the county of Newton, for the years 1850 and 1855.

Mr. Solomon of Cass, presented a memorial of the citizens of said county on the subject of Education, which on his motion, was without being read referred to the Committee on Education.

The following bills were read the second time and ordered to be committed for the third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the Parks Mining Company.

A bill to be entitled an act authorizing the Ordinaries of this State to issue fi fas for cost in certain cases.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize William R. Anderson of the county of Union to practise medicine in the county of Union, and to charge and collect for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Edward A. Flewellen of the county of Upson.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor of this State to refund any money unlawfully paid into the Treasury by the Tax Receiver or Collector or any tax payer, and his duty therein.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the county line between Marion and Taylor counties.

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to enlarge and reconstruct the State Capitol, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Hancock Internal Improvement and Banking Company and to confer certain privileges on the same.

A bill to be entitled an act amendatory of an act incorporating the Muscogee Railroad Company so far as regards the qualification and election of Directors thereof.

A bill to be entitled an act to tax foreign Bank Agencies doing business in this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the removal of all free persons of color from this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Baker and Early.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the North Georgia Mining Company.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the Bank of the State of Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Superior and Inferior Courts of Sumter county.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Hebron Presbyterian Church and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate New Lebanon Presbyterian Church in Franklin county, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to add an additional clause

to the sixteenth section and first article of the Constitution, restricting the General Assembly in the appropriation of money or the credit of the State to one hundred thousand dollars over the ordinary and necessary expenses of the State, unless the same is submitted to and approved by a majority of the legal voters of the State except in case of war.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Ransom Rogers of the county of Scriven, to practice medicine and charge therefor.

A bill to be entitled an act to compensate John T. Riley, William T. Whitfield and John D. Crawford for services rendered.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Company to be called the Western and Atlantic Railroad Company, and to lease to said Company the Western and Atlantic Railroad for the term of twenty years.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and change the line between the counties of Dougherty and Lee so as to include in the county of Dougherty the lands of Thomas H. Moughon and Dr. John B. Gilbert.

A bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Early and Baker.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the Ogeechee Plank Road Company.

A bill to be entitled an act to make executors and administrators liable for costs in certain cases.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Thomas R. Gibbs an infirm man, to peddle without paying for license.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Ephraim Youn of the county of Telfair, to peddle in the counties of Telfair and Montgomery without paying any fee for license for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to compensate persons who may be compelled to attend the Superior Courts of this State as witnesses in behalf of the State in counties other than where such person or persons may reside.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of James Roundtree of the county of Fulton.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the preservation of the Public Records and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the third, fourth and twelfth sections of the first article of the Constitution of this State.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Felix Sowers of the county of Fulton.

A bill to be entitled an act to confer certain privileges upon R. H. Lampkin of Greene, and to make lawful his acts, and to give him authority to transact business as though he were of full age.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Fort Valley in the county of Houston, and to provide for the election of Commissioners for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to add an additional section to the 4th division of the Penal Code of this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Methodist Episcopal Church at New Hope, Bulloch county, and to appoint trustees for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to promote the settlement of the Territories of the United States. One hundred and sixty copies of the same were ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the American Mining Company.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the sixth section of an act to incorporate the Bank of Savannah.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Island Creek Academy in the county of Hancock.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the oath prescribed in the tax laws of this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the selection of Grand and Pettit Jurors in certain cases.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Augusta Savings Bank; and a bill to be entitled an act to change and regulate the Inferior Courts of the several counties of this State.

The rules were suspended, and the following bills being reported, were read the first time, viz :—

Mr. Jones of Muscogee, reported a bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act approved the 7th February, 1854, entitled an act to alter and amend the 5th section of an act to regulate the weighing of cotton and other commodities in this State, approved 8th December, 1806.

Mr. Hudson of Gwinnett, reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary of Gwinnett county to pay certain teachers of poor children, and for other purposes.

Mr. Lawton offered a bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend and add to the Penal Code of this State;

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of William Waters and to authorize the perfecting of a certain grant therein named; and a bill to be entitled an act to alter, amend and add to the several laws relating to slaves and free persons of color in this State.

The following bills were read the second time and referred as hereafter specified, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize his Excellency the Governor to make contracts for the copying and revising of the books in bad order in the Executive Department of the State, and provide for the payment of the same, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

A bill for the relief of Jackson Tyner, was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate a sum of money to improve and put in good order the road leading from Dahlonga to Morganton and Blairsville across the Blue Ridge at Coopers Gap in Lumpkin and Union counties, and to appoint commissioners to carry the same into effect, was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvement.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the heirs of J. M. Kelly of the county of Houston, was on motion of Mr. Harris of Dougherty, referred to a special committee, consisting of Messrs. Harris of Dougherty, Irvin and Lewis of Greene.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the appointment of a Geologist and Chemist for Agricultural purposes for the State of Georgia, was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvement.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank in the town of Morgain, to be called the Bank of Morgain, was referred to the Committee on Banks.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Lexington in the county of Oglethorpe, and to provide for the election of Intendant and Commissioners therefor, and to define their powers and duties and for other purposes, was referred to the Committee on Petitions.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Mason Tiller of the county of Lee, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of James H. Estes of Troup county, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to carry into effect the amended Constitution of this State in reference to the Ordinaries of said State, and for other purposes, assented to January 21st, 1852, was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of George W. Smith, William J. Thompson and Daniel M. Smith, contractors for the wood work of the Lunatic Asylum, was on motion of Mr. Cottle, referred together with a memorial, to the Committee on Finance.

The following bills of the Senate were read the first time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to alter and change the mode of appointing trustees of Glynn county Academy of the county of Glynn, and to compel their treasurer to give bond and security for the faithful performance of his duty, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Sixes Mining Company of Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act to reduce the Sheriff's bond of Tattnall county.

A bill to be entitled an act to change, define and limit the time of holding the Superior Courts of the counties of Crawford, Twiggs, Macon and Dooly.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John J. Morris and John C. Morris of Clay county.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the name of Austin G. L. Cheek of the county of Carroll, to that of Austin G. L. Crider; and a bill to be entitled an act to regulate the collection of jury fees in the Superior and Interior Courts of the county of Coweta.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Daniel of Jackson, on account of extreme illness.

On motion, Messrs. Cooper of Walton, and Sapp of Whitfield, were added to the Committee on New Counties.

The hour of half past one having arrived, the Speaker declared the House adjourned until half past nine o'clock tomorrow.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 17th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Harris of Meriwether on account of indisposition.

On motion of Mr. Lawton, the rules were suspended, and a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate a Bank to be called the Exchange Bank of the city of Savannah, was taken up and laid on the table for the balance of the Session.

On motion of Mr. King of Fayette, the rules were suspended for the purpose of taking up a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John Huie of the county of Fayette, which on his motion was referred to a special committee consisting of Messrs. King of Fayette, Milledge, Fields, Ward and Paris.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bill, to-wit:

A bill to change the times of holding the Superior and Inferior Courts of certain counties therein named.

The Senate has also agreed to the resolution of the House of Representatives in relation to Major Jefferson Buford of Alabama and his company of Kansas emigrants and other companies of like character.

The rules were further suspended and Mr. Cottle reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Southwest-

ern Electro Magnetic Telegraph Company, which was read the first time.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to compensate the Grand and Petit Jurors of the county of Decatur. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to relieve William B. Higginbotham, a free man of color of the county of Floyd, from certain disabilities, and for other purposes. On motion of Mr. Terhune, the same was laid on the table for the balance of the Session.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to dispose of the Okefenokee Swamp lands belonging to the State of Georgia, to provide for the draining of the same, and for other purposes. A substitute offered by the Committee on Internal Improvement, which is a bill to be entitled an act to provide for the survey of the Okefenokee Swamp, and for other purposes, was adopted in lieu of the original bill. The report thereon was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Rumph for a few days on account of the illness of his family.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Hall, Habersham and Lumpkin. The report of the committee, which was adverse to the passage of the same, was agreed to, and the bill was therefore lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to lay out and form a new county from the counties of Troup and Heard, and to provide for the organization of the same. On motion of Mr. Hill of Troup, said bill was laid on the table for the remainder of the Session.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Floyd and Chattooga. The report of the Committee on New Counties, which was adverse to the passage of the same was agreed to. The bill was therefore lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to settle and fix the hours of labor by all white persons under twenty-one years of age in all cotton, woollen and other manufacturing establishments in this State, and to make all contracts to labor in said factories for a greater length of time than herein prescribed null and void, and to punish violations of this act, so far as relates to the county of Chattooga. The report of the committee, in which a substitute was presented in lieu of the original bill, was disagreed to. The original

bill was then so amended as to extend its provisions to the counties of Troup, Cobb and Butts. The bill as amended was read the third time, and upon the question, Shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 30, nays 76.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Fields,	Pruitt,
Avery,	Graham,	Reid,
Barrett,	Hill,	Richards,
Bradford,	Hilliard,	Roberts,
Brantley,	Jones of Lowndes,	Solomon,
Brown of Burke,	Julian,	Smith of Hancock,
Browning,	Kirkpatrick,	Stephens,
Caldwell of Pike,	Maynor,	Taylor,
Crook,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Terhune,
Faulk,	McConnel of Gord'n Ward,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Harris of Dough'ty,	Murphey,
Barron,	Harris of Fulton,	Myers,
Barton,	Harrison,	Owen,
Battle,	Haynie,	Pafford,
Beall,	Headen,	Parks,
Bird,	Henderson,	Paris,
Boyd,	Hudson of Gwin'tt.	Peterson,
Boykin of Scriven,	Irvin,	Phillips,
Boykin of Troup,	Johnson of Carroll,	Phinazy,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Cass,	Pickett,
Burnett,	Johnson of Elbert,	Porter,
Butts,	Jones of Muscogee,	Rozier,
Carlton,	Jones of Warren,	Sapp,
Causey,	Kitchens,	Sinquefield,
Cobb,	Lane,	Smith of Bryan,
Cooper,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Tatt'nall,
Cottle,	Luke,	Smith of Union,
Cunningham,	Matthews,	Spinks,
Davis of Bibb,	McClary,	Swearingen,
Davis of Polk,	McLean,	Thompson,
Dorminy,	McLelan,	Walton,
Edenfield,	Milledge,	Watts,
Felton,	Mobley,	Whitworth,
Gordon,	Montgomery,	Wiggins,
Graybill,	Moore,	Williams,
Hale,		

So the bill was lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to compensate the Grand and Petit Jurors of the county of Clay. On motion, the same was laid upon the table for the balance of the Session.

The House took up the report of the committee on the

bill to be entitled an act to divorce a certain person therein named, and the same, on motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, was laid on the table for the present.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Lewis of Greene in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Rebecca B. B. Cohen and Perla S. Solomons of Savannah, heirs of Moses and Moredcea Sheftall, for which a substitute bearing a similar title was offered by the special committee to whom the original had been referred. The same was adopted. After some time spent therein, the committee arose, and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. On motion of Mr. Lawton, the same was made the special order for the 24th inst.

The rules of the House were suspended on motion of Mr. Milledge, when he introduced a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Mrs. Jane Elizabeth Lott, wife of George Lott of Richmond county, which was read the first time.

On motion of Mr. Lewis of Hancock, a Senate bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Superior and Inferior Courts in certain counties therein named, was taken up out of its order, and read the first time.

Mr. Henderson reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Salem Camp Ground in Newton county, which was read the first time.

Mr. Boykin offered a resolution relative to the hours of meeting and adjournment.

The hour of half past one having arrived, the Speaker declared the House adjourned until half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 18th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Haynie moved to reconsider so much of the Journal of yesterday as relates to the rejection of the bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Floyd and Chattooga, which was lost.

Mr. Crook moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the rejection of the bill to be entitled an act to settle the hours of labor by all white persons under twenty-one years of age in all cotton, woollen and other manufacturing establishments in this State, and to make all contracts to labor in said factories for a greater length of time than herein prescribed null and void, and to punish violations of this act, so far as relates to the county of Chattooga. Upon the question of agreeing to this motion, the yeas

and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 59, nays 56.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Hill,	Pickett,
Barrett,	Hilliard,	Porter,
Barton,	Jones of Lowndes,	Pruitt,
Battle,	Julian,	Richards,
Bradford,	King of Fayette,	Roberts,
Brantley,	King of McIntosh,	Rumph,
Brown of Burke,	Kirkpatrick,	Sapp,
Browning,	Lawton,	Sinquefield,
Burnett,	Lewis of Greene,	Solomon,
Caldwell of Walker,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Clinch,
Calloway,	Lowe,	Smith of Hancock,
Causey,	Matthews,	Smith of Union,
Cornwell,	Maynor,	Stephens,
Crook,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Taylor,
Davis of Polk,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Terhune,
Dozier,	Milledge,	Thompson,
Faulk,	Murphy,	Ward,
Fields,	Parks,	Warthen,
Graham,	Paris,	Watts,
Harris of Meriwe'r,	Phillips,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Hale,	Mobley,
Beall,	Harris of Dougherty,	Montgomery,
Boyd,	Harrison,	Moore,
Boykin of Scriven,	Haynie,	Myers,
Boykin of Troup,	Headen,	Owen,
Brown of Talbot,	Henderson,	Peterson,
Butts,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Phinizy,
Caldwell of Pike,	Hudson of Harris,	Rozier,
Carlton,	Irvin,	Smith of Bryan,
Cobb,	Johnson of Carroll,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cooper,	Johnson of Cass,	Spinks,
Cottle,	Johnson of Elbert,	Swearingen,
Cunningham,	Jones of Wæxen,	Thornton,
Davis of Bibb,	Kitchens,	Walton,
Dorminy,	Lane,	Whitworth,
Durden,	Luke,	Wiggins,
Edenfield,	McClary,	Williams,
Felton,	McLean,	Wynn.
Graybill,	McLelan,	

So the motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Lewis of Hancock, the regular order was suspended, when a bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Superior and Inferior Courts of certain counties therein named, was read the second time and committed.

Mr. Lewis also offered the following resolution, which on motion was taken up, read and agreed to, viz :

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the Treasurer be directed to communicate to this House a report of the mileage and per diem of members of the present and last General Assemblies, and that the Clerk of the House transmit a copy of this resolution to the Treasurer immediately.

On motion, a Senate bill to be entitled an act to alter the time of holding the Superior Courts for the county of Newton in the State of Georgia, and to allow two weeks for holding the same, and for other purposes therein named, was taken up out of its order, read the second time, and committed for a third reading. •

On motion of Mr. Harris of Dougherty, the Senate bill to be entitled an act to lend the aid of the State to the Brunswick and Florida Railroad Company and to the Savannah, Albany and Gulf Railroad Company, upon certain conditions therein named, was read the second time, and committed for a third reading.

On motion the following resolution was taken up and read, viz :—

Resolved, That hereafter the regular hours for this House to meet and adjourn shall be as follows : Meet at 9½ A. M., adjourn at 1 P. M. ; meet again at 2½ and adjourn at 4½ P. M.

Mr. Jones of Warren offered as a substitute for the original the following resolution, viz :

Resolved, That the House meet at 10 oclock A. M. and adjourn at 1½ o'clock in the evening ; meet again at 3½ o'clock, and adjourn at 5 P. M.

Upon the question of agreeing to the same the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 112, nays 7.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs :

Amiss,	Butts,	Faulk,
Avery,	Caldwell of Pike,	Felton,
Barrett,	Caldwell of Walker	Fields,
Barron,	Calloway,	Graham,
Barton,	Causey,	Hale,
Battle,	Cobb,	Harris of Fulton,
Beall,	Cooper,	Harris of Meriwe'r
Bird,	Cornwell,	Harrison,
Boyd,	Cottle,	Haynie,
Boykin of Scriven,	Crook,	Headen,
Boykin of Troup,	Cunningham,	Henderson,
Bradford,	Davis of Bibb,	Hill,
Brantley,	Davis of Polk,	Hilliard,
Brown of Burke,	Dorminy,	Hudson of Gwinnett
Brown of Talbot,	Dozier,	Hudson of Harris,
Browning,	Durden,	Hughes,
Burnett,	Edenfield,	Irvin,

Johnson of Carroll,	McLelan,	Sapp,
Johnson of Cass,	Mobley,	Sinquefield,
Johnson of Elbert,	Montgomery,	Solomon,
Jones of Lowndes,	Moore,	Smith of Bryan,
Jones of Warren,	Mvers,	Smith of Clinch,
Julian,	Murphey,	Smith of Hancock,
Kilgore,	Owen,	Smith of Tattnall,
King of Fayette,	Pafford,	Smith of Union,
King of McIntosh,	Parks,	Spinks,
Kitchens,	Paris,	Stephens,
Lawton,	Peterson,	Swearingen,
Lewis of Greene,	Phillips,	Taylor,
Luke,	Phinzy,	Thompson,
Matthews,	Pickett,	Ward,
Maynor,	Porter,	Warthen,
McCants,	Powell,	Watts.
McClary,	Pruitt,	Whitworth,
M'Connel of Catoosa,	Roberts,	Wiggins,
M'Connel of Gord'n,	Rozier,	Williams,
McLean,	Rumph,	Wynn.

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs :

Carlton,	Lewis of Hancock,	Terhune,
Jones of Muscogee,	Milledge.	Thornton.
Lane,		

So the same was agreed to.

Mr. Harris of Meriwether offered the following resolution, which was on motion taken up, read and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That from and after the 31st instant, no new matter shall be introduced into the House, except by the consent of one of the standing committees or two-thirds of the House.

On motion of Mr. Irvin, the rules were suspended for the purpose of allowing the introduction of bills, when the following were reported and read the first time, viz:

Mr. Battle reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Russellville Methodist Camp Ground in Monroe county.

Mr. McConnell of Catoosa reported a bill to be entitled an act to alter and change the lines between the counties of Catoosa and Walker and Whitfield, and to add a portion of the counties of Walker and Whitfield to the county of Catoosa ;

A bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Inferior Courts of the county of Catoosa ;

And a bill to be entitled an act to authorize Chas. T. P. Jarroagan and James R. Russell of Catoosa county to practice medicine and surgery, and to collect for the same.

Mr. Davis of Bibb reported a bill to be entitled an act to

authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Bibb to levy an extra tax for the purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Lawton offered a bill to be entitled an act to determine what shall be sufficient allegations in indictments charging the offence of unlawful trading and dealing with slaves, and to amend the fourteenth section of the thirteenth division of the penal code, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to ratify the organization and elections of the first Regiment, first Brigade, first Division Georgia Militia, and for other purposes therein named ;

And a bill to be entitled an act to fix the time of holding elections of Judges of the Superior Courts, Attorney General, and Solicitors General.

Mr. Maynor reported a bill to be entitled an act to give any Company a right to construct a bridge across the Chattahoochee river in the counties of Fulton and Cobb, on the old piers upon which the Western and Atlantic Railroad was built, which may be incorporated by the Inferior Courts of said counties, or either of them, on certain conditions.

Mr. King of Fayette reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Hopewell Academy in the county of Fayette, and appoint Trustees for the same.

Mr. Carlton reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Martha W. Clower of the county of Clark.

Mr. McCounell of Gordon reported a bill to be entitled an act to change certain county lines therein named.

Mr. Pruitt offered a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Crawford H. Little, Tax Collector of the county of Franklin.

Mr. Johnson of Carroll reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Rachal Holomon of the county of Carroll.

Mr. Hill offered a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the consolidation of the stocks of the Atlanta and LaGrange Railroad Company and the West Point and Tennessee Railroad Company of Alabama, and for other purposes ;

And a bill to be entitled an act to prevent the running of cars or trains carrying passengers upon all railroads in this State on the Sabbath day.

Mr. Walton offered a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the estate of Joseph White, deceased, of Stewart county, Ga. ;

And a bill to be entitled an act to declare and define the jurisdiction of Courts of Ordinary in this State, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Crook reported a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to erect suitable monuments to the memory of William H. Crawford, John Forsyth and Daniel Newnan ;

And a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of William H. Clark of Camden county.

Mr. Warthen reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend

an act assented to December 14th, 1811, and to allow practising Attorneys to hold the office of, and perform the duties of Justice of the Peace in the county of Washington.

Mr. Brown reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend the laws respecting divorce, and for other purposes.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Warrenton and Macon Railroad Company, and grant certain privileges and powers upon the same.

Mr. Harris of Fulton offered a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John E. Sewell of Fulton county.

Mr. Brantley reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the collection of interest on open accounts.

Mr. Phillips reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the county of Habersham to aid in the construction of the Northeastern or any other Railroad running through Habersham county, by the issue of bonds and subscription of stock, &c., upon a vote of the citizens of said county.

The following message was received from the Senate by Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker :—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit:

A bill to alter and amend the first section of the third article of the Constitution of the State.

A bill pointing out the mode of ascertaining the relief and support to which widows and orphans are entitled out of the estate of their deceased husbands and parents, in cases where letters testamentary or of administration have or shall be hereafter granted, and for other purposes.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Brantley for to-morrow, on account of special business.

Mr. Park reported a bill to be entitled an act to attach the residence of David Smith of Gwinnett county to the county of Jackson.

Mr. Owen reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices' Courts to establish lost papers to the amount of their jurisdiction, and charge for the same.

On motion of Mr. Lewis, the bills proposing the establishment of systems of education for this State, which were made the special order for to-day, were made the special order for the 25th inst.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, the general appropriation bill was taken up, and the amendments of the Senate, appropriating certain sums to J. W. Duncan of the county of Baldwin, and the Clerk of the Supreme Court, being under consideration, on motion of Mr. Terhune the House resolved to insist on their disagreement to said amendments, and the same was on motion ordered to be transmitted by the Clerk without delay.

The House took up the report of the committee on the

bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Joseph Landrum of the county of Oglethorpe. The same was on motion re-committed to the Committee on Petitions.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the sale of free persons of color. The same was on motion made the special order of the 27th instant.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Line Church, on or near the line of Habersham county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to give to defendants damages for frivolous suits against them. The same, on motion of Mr. Thornton, was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to allow further time to Sheriffs and their deputies for the service of writs, declarations, processes and bills in equity. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Rome Volunteers. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the 18th section of the charter of the city of Atlanta, and to confer certain powers upon the Mayor and Council therein specified, and to prescribe the manner in which the Clerk of the City Council shall direct his summons, precept and execution and other process. Pending the discussion of the same, the hour of half past one arrived, and the Speaker declared the House adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 19th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Rumph of Wayne moved to reconsider so much of the Journal of yesterday as relates to the agreement of the House to a resolution requiring the Treasurer to report to the House, the per diem and mileage of the members of the present and the last General Assemblies. Upon the question of reconsideration, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded and are yeas 51, nays 73.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Bird,	Bradford,
Barrett,	Boyd,	Browning,
Barron,	Boykin of Scriven,	Caldwell of Pike,

Caldwell of Walker,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Parks,
Calloway,	Hughes,	Pickett,
Cobb,	Irvin,	Powell,
Cooper,	Johnson of Carroll,	Pruitt,
Crook,	Jones of Lowndes,	Richards,
Cunningham,	Julian,	Roberts,
Dozier,	Kilgore,	Rumph,
Fields,	King of Fayette,	Simmons,
Graham,	King of McIntosh,	Slocumb,
Harris of Dough'y.	Kitchens,	Spinks,
Haynie,	Luke,	Stephens,
Hill,	Maynor,	Swearingen,
Hilliard,	McClary,	Thompson,
Hoyle,	Mobley,	Whitworth,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Johnson of Cass,	Phillips,
Amiss,	Johnson of Elbert,	Phinizy,
Battle,	Jones of Muscogee,	Porter,
Beall,	Kirkpatrick,	Reid,
Brown of Burke,	Lane,	Rozier,
Brown of Talbot,	Lawton,	Sapp,
Burnett,	Lewis of Greene,	Sinquefield,
Butts,	Lewis of Hancock,	Solomon,
Cannon,	Lowe,	Smith of Bryan,
Carlton,	Matthews,	Smith of Clinch,
Causey,	McCants,	Smith of Hancock,
Cornwell,	McConnel of Catoosa,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cottle,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Smith of Union,
Davis of Polk,	McLean,	Tatom,
Dorminy,	McLelan,	Taylor,
Durden,	Milledge,	Thornton,
Edenfield,	Montgomery,	Walton,
Felton,	Moore,	Ward,
Gordon,	Murphy,	Warthen,
Graybill,	Myers,	Watts,
Hale,	Owen,	Wiggins,
Harris of Fulton,	Pafford,	Williams,
Harris of Meriw'r,	Paris,	Wimberly,
Headen,	Peterson,	Wynn,
Hudson of Harris,		

So the motion to reconsider was lost.

The Committee on the Judiciary made the following reports, viz :

They recommend the passage of the bill to be entitled an act to add additional sections to the fourteenth division of the Penal Code of the State of Georgia. Also the passage of the bill to be entitled an act to legalize certain warrants for lands and to constitute the Inferior Court of Effingham county a Land Court, with certain amendments.

They report for the bill to be entitled an act to authorize his Excellency the Governor to adjust and settle a balance due by the State to A. P. Powers, a substitute to be entitled an act for the relief of Abner P. Powers. They also report adversely to the passage of the following bills, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to compel parties defendants to pay extra costs in certain cases.

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate criminal proceedings, fees of Attorneys and Solicitors General, and to repeal all laws authorizing the settlement of criminal cases and to make penal the same, and to vest the discretion exercised by the Judges of the Superior Courts in the Juries, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to carry into effect the amended Constitution of this State in reference to the Ordinaries of said State and for other purposes, assented to **January 21st, 1852.**

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the laws of this State pertaining to Ordinaries, Courts of Ordinary, Executors. Administrators and Guardians, and to make provisions for a public Administrator and Escheator ; and a bill to be entitled an act to regulate the fair for travel on the different Railroads of this State, from stations, half stations and quarter stations, so as to be at the same rate per mile that has been established by the Railroad Companies to their through termination.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit :

A bill to make valid certain surveys, warrants and grants, and to authorize certain grants to be issued.

A bill to incorporate Mount Vernon Camp Ground and Waresboro Camp Ground, and to appoint Trustees for the same.

The Senate has also passed a bill of the House of Representative to incorporate Oglethorpe Medical College in the city of Savannah, with amendments in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred the message of his Excellency the Governor on the subject of the claim of the Union Branch Railroad Company (formerly the Cross Plains and Red Clay Branch Railroad Company) with the documents accompanying the same, beg leave to report, that they have fully examined said message and accompanying documents together with the several acts of the Legislature relative to said Company, as well as the decision of the Supreme Court as rendered in the contest before that tribunal, between this Company and the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad Company, and are of opinion

that the State of Georgia by the subsequent grant of a Charter to the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad Company, which under the decision of the Supreme Court *per se* was a repeal of the Charter to the Union Branch Railroad Company, rendered herself liable to this last named Company for such damage at least, as would remunerate them for their actual out lay. The report of Col. W. S. Rockwell, the Commissioner appointed by his Excellency by virtue of the authority vested in him by the original act of incorporation for said Union Branch Railroad Company, fixes that amount at the sum of three thousand nine hundred and fifty-five dollars, with interest thereon at seven per cent, making a farther sum of one thousand six hundred and sixty-one dollars and ten cents, which added to the principal fixes the sum total of the liability of the State at five thousand, six hundred and sixteen dollars and ten cents, for the payment of which they herewith report a bill to the House.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the Corporators of the Union Branch Railroad Company, which was read the first time.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor, through Mr. de Graffenried, his Secretary:

Mr. Speaker—The Governor has approved and signed the following acts, to-wit;

An act for the relief of Francis Pousell, an infirm and indigent person.

An act to change the time of holding the Inferior Court of the county of Spalding.

An act to change the times for holding the Superior and Inferior Courts of the county of Floyd.

An act to authorize and direct his Excellency the Governor of Georgia, to draw his warrant on any funds in the State Treasury for the payment of principal, interest and costs of a judgment in Baldwin Superior Court, in favor of A. P. Rood, Administrator of Mrs. Blanch Gibson, versus the Central Bank of Georgia, and for other purposes therein named.

An act to authorize the Inferior Court of Washington county to levy and collect an extra tax for building a Court-house and Jail in said county.

An act to incorporate the town of Cusseta in the county of Chattahoochee, and to render permanent the County Site and appoint Intendant and Commissioners and regulate the duties of the same.

The committee to whom was assigned the duty of examining various points on the Georgia and the Western and Atlantic Railroads, designated as suitable localities for the erection of a State Prison, having discharged that duty, respectfully submit the following report—

Your committee are of the opinion, from a careful investi-

gation and careful examination, that from the inadequacy of water for tanning purposes and the difficulty and expense of quarrying and dressing a very inferior and unmarketable article of granite, that Little Stone Mountain would not subserve the controlling object or purposes contemplated by removal of the Penitentiary, and are therefore constrained to report unfavorably on this location.

Your committee also examined the Lime and Marble quarry near Kingston, where we were treated with much politeness by the urbane and gentlemanly proprietor, who had the kindness to explain and illustrate many interesting facts and circumstances connected with this very valuable property. Your committee however regret to say they do not consider the lime burning an appropriate or lucrative business for convict labor, however advantageous it might and could be made for corporate or private investment and enterprise.

We are pleased to say that our investigations at Stone Mountain (proper) were attended with much more gratifying and satisfactory results, and refraining from any attempt at a graphic description of this magnificent natural phenomenon, we proceed to examine some of the many advantages to be derived from locating the Penitentiary at this point.

The unparalleled facility of procuring the best and most durable building material and hence the comparatively insignificant cost of erecting substantial fire-proof walls and cell buildings, constitute a very important and peculiar feature of this location. On the western base of the Mountain, near the old Hotel, an excellent situation may be selected for the erection of the walls, cells and shops, and where with little excavation the cell building and much of the outer wall may stand and rest on a solid and everlasting foundation of granite, setting at defiance all attempts at escape by sapping or mining.

Estimates made by your committee, examined and endorsed by competent and practical Masons, show that the entire cost of enclosing an area of five acres with a coarse rubble granite wall two feet thick and twenty feet high and of erecting the walls of cell buildings thirty-one by four hundred and sixteen feet, containing two hundred and fifty-two cells five by eight feet, and affording the requisite number of passages, &c., would not exceed at regulate rates, twenty-six thousand dollars. Your committee would recommend the entire floor of cells to be made of unhewn stone extending across and built up with the walls, and plastered with hydraulic or the appropriate cement, that the cells be secured with substantial iron door shutters, also that the roof be constructed of stone with a slight declination, and coated with mastic which should be impervious to water, and at the same time render the building perfectly fire-proof. These additional items would swell the estimates and make

the aggregate cost of walls and cells from thirty-eight to forty thousand dollars. Compare this sum with the enormous cost of the present contracted cell building alone, and you will be forcibly struck with the superior eligibility of Stone Mountain as a location over the present.

The convicts under the direction and supervision of an experienced and practical Architect may be made to perform and execute almost the entire work of erecting and completing the walls and cell buildings, and thus save the State a large proportion of the above specified sum, which would otherwise pass into the hands of contractors. And as the brilliant and sunlit carver of the persevering Architect of his own fortune excites our admiration and stimulates to deeds of virtuous emulation, so would not the dark, self-imposed fate of the convict, who under the stern mandate of outraged law, is made to carve out his own dark and gloomy cell, have a tendency to deter others from a violation of that law whose just retribution, dooms him to speechless, ceaseless toil by day and the companionship alone of his own dark repentant thoughts by night.

Nor would the profitable labor of the convict cease with the completion of these solid walls and tomb-like cells, which are to exclude them from all participation in the busy scenes of the outer world. Your committee are of opinion from well established data, that any and all branches of the mechanic arts may from the great cheapness of all materials and provisions, and the additional facilities of transportation to ready and remunerative markets, be far more extensively and advantageously carried on here than at the present location. We are also of opinion from many facts gleaned from practical business men, that other branches of business may be substituted for many of those now carried on in the Institution with decided profit and advantage to the State. To illustrate, quarrying and dressing stone constitutes no part and tanning but a small portion of the present system of convict labor. Stone contractors give hands of but few months experience from two and a half to three dollars per day to quarry and dress granite which they afterwards ship and sell at Augusta, Columbus, Alabama, and even to Florida, at handsome and remunerative profits. But lest those statements be thought visionary, we glance briefly at the well ascertained facts derived from those having experience in this branch of business. One hand will quarry two perches or fifty cubic feet of granite per day; can cut or dress from eight to ten feet per day superficial measure, say eight and one-third feet, it would then require twenty-four days labor to dress fifty cubic feet of stone which would be equal to two hundred superficial feet, worth in Augusta from six y to seventy five cents per superficial foot, say sixty cents the lowest estimate, and this two hun-

dred feet of granite will command in Augusta one hundred and twenty dollars, from which deduct freight equal to one hundred and sixty-five pounds per cubic foot at one dollar and twenty-five cents per thousand, usual rate of freight on stone, and we have left as the product of twenty-five days labor, one hundred and nine dollars and seventy-five cents, which multiplied by three hundred, the supposed number of days worked by each of the twenty-five hands, and we have thirty-two thousand, nine hundred and twenty-five dollars derived from the granite business per annum. Triple this number of operatives, and you will realize from their labor, ninety-eight thousand, seven hundred and seventy-five dollars. An amount more than sufficient to maintain in perfect idleness the remaining one hundred and five or ten prisoners and pay every saleried officer and contingent expense of the Institution. Startling as these statements may seem, they are legitimate deductions from the premises, and are fully corroborated by the prices paid operatives in granite, and if the profits realised from its shipment and sale, justify these estimates and expectations, in the opinion of your committee it will. A large amount of granite is now being furnished from this inexhaustable quarry, besides the heavy importations of this article from the Northern States; the acknowledged superiority and durability of granite over all other building material, will create a demand for it commensurate with the wants of our rapidly improving wealth and increasing population.

Then why may not Georgia with this unavoidable convict labor at her command, monopolise this partially developed branch of business, and make it not only self-sustaining to an Institution rendered absolutely necessary for the protection of her citizens and the general good of society, but a source of revenue to the State.

May not Georgia with justice exact from her idle, vicious and turbulent, the same tribute she receives from her enterprising, virtuous and law-abiding citizens? But it may be asked, will there be demand for this article. Even deduct fifty per cent on these estimates and it will be a highly lucrative business. One peculiarity of this quarry consists in the succession of strata varying in thickness of from two inches to six feet, and their susceptibility of being easily split in straight square blocks of from twenty to thirty feet in length and of any desired width and selected thickness. And the facility of transportation from the quarry to the enclosed stone yard, from thence three quarters of a mile by easy railroad grade, to the Georgia Railroad, where either end of the Road awaits your selection or the demand of market.— We do not wish to be understood, however, as advising the abandonment of all other branches of business, but on the contrary to so locate this Institution as to foster and facilitate

every branch of business that experience has proved remunerative. This tract of land affords a considerable quantity of pine, oak, poplar and other timber, an excellent water power for converting it into the various kinds of plank and lumber to suit the wants and demands of the Institution, and when the supply is exhausted or proves inadequate, the demand for oak, pine and poplar will readily be supplied by adjacent mills at from nine to ten dollars per thousand.—

Thus saving the Institution from fifty to three hundred per cent in the purchase of these articles, over the regular rates given at the present location. The salutary effect of this diminution in the cost of material on every branch of business carried on in the Institution is too obvious to require further argument. The shoe and harness is considered to be the most profitable branch of business now carried on in the Institution; that too under the manifest disadvantage of working the stock of northern and western tanners; thus sacrificing the entire profit derived from the tanning business, conceded to be more than equal to that of manufacturing the stock into shoes, boots and harness. This circumstance must continue to cripple the operation and embarrass the finance of the Institution until this suicidal system is changed. The Institution should be so situated as to at least manufacture all the leather worked by the convicts, and this location affords every facility for effecting this important object. The land connected with this property abounds in oak timber which will yield for years to come an abundant supply of tan-bark, and when exhausted may be bought in any requisite quantity at from two and a half to three dollars per cord, one hundred per cent less than the present rates paid.

If a constant and sufficient stream of water for tanning purposes cannot be thrown within the enclosure (of which apprehension is entertained) the difficulty may be easily obviated and a full supply procured by the use of a forcing pump or hydraulic ram.

This property consists of about twenty-three hundred acres of land, including almost the entire Stone Mountain and several valuable farms, which your committee are credibly informed can be readily cashed at from twelve to fifteen thousand dollars, and about one hundred unimproved town lots within the corporation, estimated at from fifty to one hundred dollars per lot. Also four well improved town lots, valued at four thousand dollars; a part or all of which might be sold without material injury to the location.

Your committee however, in the event of a purchase of said property, recommend that the improved town lots be retained as dwelling, store-house and depots, and the remaining unimproved town lots, and a large portion of the farming land now in cultivation, be sold off at such time and

on such terms as his Excellency may think most conducive to the interest of the State.

For further information your committee would respectfully refer to the accompanying plat and description of said property. Also the written proposition of the Executors of the estate of W. B. W. Dent, deceased. And as this location combines many advantages and facilities not found at any other locality examined by your committee, we unhesitatingly recommend its purchase at thousand dollars.

And when a perfect and complete title can be made, we recommend his Excellency the Governor to detail such number of convicts under the direction and supervision of the Principal Keeper and such principal Architect as he may appoint, for the prosecution and completion of said State Prison.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

S. J. SMITH, Chairman.

G. D. PHILLIPS,

M. H. HANEY,

ALEX. PHARR.

On motion two hundred copies of the report of the committee appointed to select a site for the Penitentiary, and one hundred and sixty copies of each of the propositions presented to said committee by Rev. Charles Wallace Howard, and the representative of the estate of Hon. W. B. W. Dent, were ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. Lewis of Hancock, the House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Superior and Inferior Courts of certain counties therein named. The same was so amended as to extend its provisions to certain other counties. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

On motion of Mr. Lewis of Hancock, the same was ordered to be transmitted immediately to the Senate.

The Committee on New Counties report the bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from Baker and Early back to the House with a recommendation of its passage by a majority of the same.

On motion of Mr. Harris of Meriwether, the rules were suspended and the House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Middle Ground Railroad, to provide for its organization and to define its liabilities. Certain amendments were offered and received. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof and ordered to be transmitted to the Senate.

The rules were on motion farther suspended, and the following bills being reported were read the first time, viz :

Mr. Terhune reported a bill to be entitled an act to lay off and organize a new county from the counties of Floyd and Polk and for other purposes.

Mr. Haynie reported a bill to be entitled an act to extend the limits of the village of Cave Spring and for other purposes.

Mr. Rumph offered a bill to be entitled an act to authorize Executors, Administrators and Guardians, to sell lands and negroes or either, in the county in which said Executor, Administrator or Guardian may reside, and for other purposes.

Mr. Causey reported a bill to be entitled an act for the appointment of Commissioners for opening Kinchafoonee creek and other purposes therein named.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee reported a bill to be entitled an act to alter, amend and extend an act to incorporate a Bank to be called the Exchange Bank of the city of Savannah, to legalize and make valid the acts of some of the Commissioners, and for other purposes.

Mr. Milledge reported a bill to be entitled an act organizing the Independant Volunteer Battallion of Augusta, and for other purposes therein named.

Mr. Burnett reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend the Attachment Laws so far as to authorize the issuing of attachment against the estates of deceased persons and for other purposes,

Mr. Fields offered a bill to be entitled an act to compel all incorporated Mining Companies of this State, to give in and pay taxes on their stock in the counties where the mines are located

Mr. Smith of Bryan offered a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Board of Commissioners of public roads of the county of Bryan, to carry on and transact business under certain circumstances and for other purposes.

Mr. Richards reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Superior and Inferior Courts in the county of Carroll.

Mr. McCants offered a bill to be entitled an act to change the county line between the Macon and Taylor counties.

Mr. Jones of Lowndes reported a bill to be entitled an act to prevent camp hunting in the county of Lowndes.

Mr. Lawton reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to ascertain, dispose of and appropriate the ungranted lands in Chatham county, and to invest the proceeds of the same in certain charitable corporations, approved 21st December, 1829

Mr. Thornton offered the following resolution which on motion, was taken up, read and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That until otherwise ordered, the afternoon session of this House be exclusively appropriated to the reading of Senate and House bills the first and second times.

On motion of Mr. Henderson, the House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Superior Courts of the county of Newton and to allow two weeks for holding the same, and for other purposes therein mentioned. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The memorial of Michael Dickson, John Dickson and others, was presented by Mr. McConnell of Catoosa, and on his motion without being read referred to the special committee on Revolutionary Claims.

On motion of Mr. Lawton, the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the Bank of the State of Georgia was taken up, read the second time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The House then took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the 13th section of the charter of the city of Atlanta and to confer certain powers upon the Mayor and Council, which was the unfinished business of yesterday. Pending the discussion on this bill, the hour of half past one arrived, when the House adjourned under its resolution of the 18th instant, until half past three o'clock, P. M.

HALF PAST THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Harris of Fulton, the House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Ward in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to endow the Atlanta Medical College. Mr. Lawton offered to amend the title of the same by adding the words, "and the Savannah Medical College at Savannah," which was received. On motion of Mr. Lewis of Greene, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House with an amendment.—The following substitute for the original bill as amended, was offered by Mr. Lewis of Greenè, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to endow the Atlanta Medical College. Mr. Lawton offered to amend the same by extending to the Savannah Medical College the same amount upon the same conditions as are provided in the substitute for the Atlanta Medical College. The amendment was received. The substitute as amended was agreed to. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and upon the question shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, but the discussion having continued until the hour of adjournment, the vote was

not recorded and the House adjourned until Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

MONDAY, JANUARY 21st, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The following bills were reported and read the first time, viz:—

Mr. Mobley reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Coffee and Appling so as to add the residence of Calvin Quinn of the county of Coffee to the county of Appling.

Mr. Lawton offered a bill to be entitled an act to cede to the United States jurisdiction over certain territory within the limits of the city of Savannah.

Mr. Pafford reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the line between Coffee and Appling.

Mr. Wood reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Cherokee Baptist Convention, to confer upon said Corporation certain powers therein named, and for other purposes.

Mr. Owen reported a bill to be entitled an act to facilitate the collection of debts in open accounts by changing the rule now requiring the production of the original books of entry.

Mr. Brown of Talbot reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of William Searcy of the county of Talbot.

Mr. Durden reported a bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the road laws in the county of Morgan.

Mr. Smith of Tattnall reported a bill to be entitled an act to secure a preference to persons in possession of ungranted lands, and to repeal an act for the same purpose, passed February 17th, 1854.

Mr. Montgomery offered a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to give a lien or incumbrance to masons and carpenters, to extend the lien to lumbermen, lumber merchants, sawyers, brick makers, stone cutters, and to all other persons furnishing materials for buildings.

Mr. Smith of Union offered a bill to be entitled an act to provide for the payment of Capt. Samuel Patterson's Company of Union Mounted Volunteers for services rendered the State of Georgia in the protection of the citizens of the Cherokee country in the year 1838.

Mr. Phillips reported a bill to be entitled an act to alter and change the second section of an act incorporating the Dalton and Gadsden Railroad Company.

Mr. Warthen reported a bill to be entitled an act to explain, and supplementary to an act entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of the county of Washington to le-

vy and collect an extra tax for the purpose of building a court-house and jail, assented to Dec. 22d, 1855.

Mr. Caldwell of Walker reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Lookout Railroad Company, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Sapp offered a bill to be entitled an act to amend the seventh section of the act incorporating the city of Dalton in the county of Whitfield, assented to on the 20th day of Dec. 1853, so as to give the election of Marshal, Clerk and Treasurer of said city to the qualified voters of said city, and to require the Mayor of said city to make out and publish semi-annual reports of the financial operations of said city, to provide for the election of a County Treasurer for the county of Whitfield by the qualified voters of said county, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, a bill to be entitled an act to alter, amend and extend an act to incorporate a Bank to be called the Exchange Bank of the city of Savannah, to legalize and make valid the acts of some of the Commissioners, and for other purposes, was taken up out of its order and read the second time.

On motion of Mr. Terhune, a bill to be entitled an act to legalize the revision of the jury boxes and the drawing of the Grand and Petit Jurors of the county of Floyd, for the next term of the Superior Court of said county, was also taken up out of its order and read the second time.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the Bank of the State of Georgia, reported favorably to its passage, and on motion of Mr. Phillips, the House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Wood in the Chair) on said bill. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the 18th section of the Charter of the city of Atlanta and to confer certain powers upon the Mayor and Council, the same being the unfinished business of Saturday morning last.

Mr. Terhune moved to lay the bill on the table for the balance of the Session, and required the yeas and nays to be recorded, and are yeas 29, nays 83.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Calloway,	Hudson of Gwinnett
Barrett,	Crook,	Jones of Warren,
Beall,	Edenfield,	Kilgore,
Bird,	Fields,	King of Fayette,
Brown of Camden,	Harris of Dougherty	Kitchens,

Maynor,	Richards,	Stamper,
McConnel of Gold'n	Roberts,	Stephens,
Parks,	Rozier,	Terhune,
Phinizy,	Simmons,	Whitworth,
Pickett,	Spinks,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Harris of Meriwe'r	Myers,
Amiss,	Haynie,	Owen,
Battle,	Headen,	Pafford,
Boyd,	Henderson,	Paris,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hill,	Peterson,
Boykin of Troup,	Hilliard,	Phillips,
Bradford,	Hoyle,	Porter,
Brantley,	Hudson of Harris	Powell,
Brown of Burke,	Hughes,	Pruitt,
Brown of Talbot,	Irvin,	Rumph,
Browning,	Johnson of Cass,	Sharman,
Burnett,	Johnson of Henry,	Sinquefield,
Butts,	Jones of Muscogee,	Solomon,
Cannon,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Bryan,
Carlton,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Clinch,
Causey,	Lane,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cornwell,	Lawton,	Smith of Union,
Cottle,	Lewis of Greene,	Tatom,
Cunningham,	Lewis of Hancock,	Thornton,
Davis of Polk,	Lowe,	Wood,
Dawson,	Matthews,	Walton,
Dorminy,	McClary,	Ward,
Felton,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Watts,
Graham,	McLelan,	Wiggins,
Graves,	Milledge,	Williams,
Graybill,	Mobley,	Wimberly,
Hale,	Murphey,	Wynn.
Harris of Fulton,		

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Harris offered to amend by inserting after the words liquors in the first section the words "in quantities not less than one quart"—which amendment was received.

Mr. Terhune proposed to amend by striking out the word "prohibit" from the first section, and required the yeas and nays to be recorded on this proposition. They are yeas 49, nays 69.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Calloway,	Fields,
Barrett,	Cooper,	Harris of Dough'ty,
Beall,	Cottle,	Haynie,
Bird,	Crook,	Headen,
Brown of Camden,	Dawson,	Hilliard,
Browning,	Durden,	Hoyle,

Hudson of Gwinnett	Powell,	Spinks,
Hudson of Harris,	Pruitt,	Stamper,
Johnson of Carroll,	Richards,	Stephens,
Jones of Warren,	Roberts,	Swearingen,
Kitchens,	Rozier,	Taylor,
Luke,	Sapp,	Terhune,
Maynor,	Sharman,	Thompson,
M'Connel of Gordon	Simmons,	Thornton,
Parks,	Slocumb,	Warthen,
Phinizy,	Smith of Union,	Whitworth,
Pickett,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Hale;	Mobley,
Barton,	Harris of Fulton,	Murphy,
Battle,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	Owen,
Boyd,	Henderson,	Pafford,
Boykin of Troup,	Hill,	Paris,
Bradford,	Hughes,	Peterson,
Brantley,	Irvin,	Phillips,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Cass,	Porter,
Burnett,	Johnson of Elbert,	Rumph,
Butts,	Johnson of Henry,	Sinquefield,
Caldwell of Walker,	Jones of Muscogee,	Solomon,
Cannon,	Julian,	Smith of Bryan
Carlton,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Clinch
Causey,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Tattal,
Cornwell,	Lane,	Tatom,
Cunningham,	Lawton,	Wood,
Davis of Polk,	Lewis of Greene,	Walton,
Dorminy,	Lewis of Hancock,	Ward,
Felton,	Lowe,	Watts,
Gordon,	Matthews,	Wiggins,
Graham,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Williams,
Graves,	McLelan,	Wimberly
Graybill,	Milledge,	Wyun

So the motion to strike out was lost.

The following was offered by Mr. Thornton as an additional section, which was received, viz: "That the citizens of Atlanta shall by vote at their next election determine whether they adopt or reject this amendment to their charter." The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and upon the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded. There are yeas 84, nays 45.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Battle,	Boykin of Troup,
Barron,	Boyd,	Bradford,
Barton,	Boykin of Scriven,	Brantley,

Brown of Burke,	Henderson,	Paris,
Brown of Talbot,	Hill,	Peterson,
Browning,	Hilliard,	Phillips,
Burnett,	Hughes,	Porter,
Butts,	Irvin,	Reid,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Cass,	Rozier,
Cannon,	Johnson of Elbert,	Rumph,
Carlton,	Johnson of Henry,	Sinquefield,
Causey,	Jones of Muscogee,	Solomon,
Cornwell,	Jones of Warren,	Smith of Bryan,
Cunningham,	Julian,	Smith of Clinch,
Davis of Polk,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Tattnall,
Dawson,	Kirkpatrick,	Swearingen,
Dorminy,	Lewis of Greene,	Tatom,
Edenfield,	Lewis of Hancock,	Thornton,
Felton,	Lowe,	Wood,
Gordon,	Matthews,	Walton,
Graves,	McClary,	Ward,
Graybill,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Warthen,
Hale,	McLelan,	Watts,
Harris of Fulton,	Milledge,	Wiggins,
Harris of Meriwether,	Moore,	Williams,
Harrison,	Murphey,	Wimberly,
Haynie,	Myers,	Wynn,
Headen,	Pafford,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Hoyle,	Pruitt,
Avery,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Richards,
Barrett,	Johnson of Carroll,	Roberts,
Beall,	Kilgore,	Sapp,
Bird,	King of Fayette,	Sharman,
Brown of Camden,	Kitchens,	Simmons,
Calloway,	Lane,	Slocumb,
Cobb,	Luke,	Smith of Union,
Cooper,	Maynor,	Spinks,
Crook,	M'Connel of Gordon,	Stamper,
Dozier,	Nobley,	Stephens,
Fields,	Parks,	Taylor,
Graham,	Phinizzy,	Terhune,
Griffeth,	Pickett,	Thompson,
Harris of Dougherty,	Powell,	Whitworth,

So the bill was passed.

The unfinished business of Saturday evening, to-wit, the question of the passage of bill to be entitled an act to endow the Atlanta Medical College, was taken up, which, on motion of Mr. Crook, was made the special order for Saturday next.

The regular order of the day being a bill to be entitled an act to encourage internal improvement in the State of Geor-

gia, the House took up the report of the committee on the same.

Mr. Pickett offered as a substitute therefor a bill to be entitled an act to lend the aid of the State of Georgia to the Ellijay Railroad Company upon certain conditions therein mentioned, which was adopted.

Pending the discussion of the proposition to agree to the report on the same, the hour of half past one arrived, and the House adjourned until 3½ o'clock this evening.

HALF PAST THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The following bills were read the second time and ordered to be committed for the third reading:

A bill to be entitled an act to divorce James E. Henry and Mary E. Teasler of the county of Franklin.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the collection of the costs of the Clerk of the Supreme Court.

A bill to be entitled an act to extend the provisions of an act regulating Magistrates and Constables' fees in Bibb and Richmond counties to the county of Fulton.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act regulating the weighing of cotton and other commodities in this State, approved 8th December, 1806.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Gwinnett county to pay the Sheriff for summoning jurors and waiting on the Courts, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Nancy Stanton and Daniel D. Henry, teachers of poor children of the county of Newton, for the years 1850 and 1855.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act in relation to the measuring of timber, and the appointment of measurers and inspectors, and to punish violations of the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the collection of jury fees in the county of Cass.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of William Waters and to authorize the perfecting of a certain grant therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Etowah Manufacturing and Mining Company.

A bill to be entitled an act to punish any person or persons obstructing Bull creek in the county of Tattnall.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Mrs. Jane Elizabeth Lott, wife of George Lott of Richmond county.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Southwestern Electro Magnetic Telegraph Company.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Salem Camp Ground in Newton county.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter, amend and add to the Penal Code of this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter, amend and add to the several laws relating to slaves and free persons of color.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of William H. Clark of Camden county.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary of Gwinnett county to pay certain teachers of poor children, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Russellville Methodist Camp Ground in Monroe county.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Bibb to levy an extra tax for the purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Martha W. Clover of the county of Clark.

A bill to be entitled an act to fix the time of holding elections of Judges of the Superior Courts, Attorney General, and Solicitors General.

A bill to be entitled an act to ratify the organization and elections of the first Regiment, first Brigade, first Division Georgia Militia, and for other purposes therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the county of Habersham to aid in the construction of the Northeastern or any other Railroad running through Habersham county, by the issue of bonds and subscription of stock, &c., by a vote of the citizens of said county.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Hopewell Academy in the county of Fayette, and appoint Trustees for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Rachal Holomon of the county of Carroll.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the collection of interest on open accounts.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Inferior Courts of the county of Catoosa.

A bill to be entitled an act to give any Company the right to construct a bridge across the Chattahoochee river in the counties of Fulton and Cobb, on the old piers upon which the Western and Atlantic Railroad was built, which may be incorporated by the Inferior Courts of said counties, or either of them, on certain conditions.

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to erect suitable monuments to the memory of William H. Crawford, John Forsyth and Daniel Newman.

A bill to be entitled an act to determine what shall be sufficient allegations in indictments charging the offence of unlawful trading and dealing with slaves, &c.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices' Court to establish lost papers to the amount of their jurisdiction, and charge for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the estate of Joseph White, deceased, of Stewart county, Ga.

A bill to be entitled an act to declare and define the jurisdiction of Courts of Ordinary in this State, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Crawford H. Little, Tax Collector of the county of Franklin.

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent the running of cars or trains carrying passengers upon all railroads in this State on the Sabbath day.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Warrenton and Macon Railroad Company. and grant certain privileges and powers upon the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act assented to December 14th, 1811, and to allow practising Attorneys to hold the office of, and perform the duties of Justice of the Peace in the county of Washington.

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent camp hunting in the county of Lowndes.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of corporators of the Union Branch Railroad Company.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to ascertain, dispose of and appropriate the ungranted lands in Chatham county, and to invest the proceeds of the same in certain charitable corporations, approved 21st December, 1829.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the consolidation of the stocks of the Atlanta and LaGrange Railroad Company and the West Point and Tennessee Railroad Company-

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Executors, Administrators and Guardians to sell lands and negroes, or either in the county where such Executor, Administrator or Guardian may reside, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act for the appointment of Commissioners for opening Kinchafoonee Creek, and other purposes therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to extend the limits of the village of Cave Spring, and for other purposes ;

And a bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Superior and Inferior Courts in the county of Carroll.

Leave of absence was granted the Judiciary Committee for the evening, and to Mr. McLean on account of ill health.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to wit :

A bill for the relief of the estate of Joseph White, late of the county of Stewart.

Also, a bill to alter the 12th section of the 1st article of the Constitution of this State, by a constitutional majority.

The Senate has also passed the bill of the House of Representatives, amendatory of the several acts incorporating the city of Rome, with an amendment, to which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has also concurred in the amendments of the House to the bill of the Senate to change the time of holding the Superior and Inferior Courts of certain counties therein named.

The following bills were read the second time and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Finch Mining Company of Cherokee county, Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Chas. T. Jarnagan and James R. Russell of Catoosa county to practice medicine and surgery, and to collect for the same.

The following bills were read the second time and referred as hereafter specified, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to alter the line between Cherokee and Forsyth counties so as to include lot of land 1189, in Forsyth county, was referred to the Committee on Consolidation.

A bill to be entitled an act to grant the aid of the State of Georgia to the Forsyth and Lumpkin Railroad, was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvement.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Taylor and Marion so as to include lots of land number 243 in the 3rd district and 33 in the 12th District now in the county of Marion in the county of Taylor, was referred to the Committee on Consolidation.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and change the lines between the counties of Catoosa and Walker and Whitfield, and to add a portion of the counties of Walker and Whitfield to the county of Catoosa, was referred to the Committee on Consolidation.

A bill to be entitled an act to attach the residence of David Smith of Gwinnett county to the county of Jackson, was referred to the Committee on Consolidation.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John E. Sewell of Fulton county.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the laws respecting divorce, and for other purposes, was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act to change certain county lines therein mentioned, was referred to the Committee on Consolidation.

A bill to be entitled an act to lay off and organize anew

county from the counties of Floyd and Polk, and for other purposes.

Mr. Butts reported a bill to be entitled an act to alter the act passed December 18th, 1792, entitled an act to revise and amend an act for ascertaining the fees of public officers of this State, so far as regards the burial expenses of dead paupers by Coroners, which was read the first time.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee reported the following bills, which were also read the first time, viz:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Mayor and Council of the city of Columbus to do certain acts therein named;

And a bill to be entitled an act to repeal existing laws relative to the importation of slaves into this State.

The House adjourned at 5 o'clock to 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, by virtue of a resolution to that effect.

TUESDAY. JANUARY 22d, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Terhune moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the passage of the bill to be entitled an act to amend the 18th section of the charter of the city of Atlanta, and to confer certain powers upon the Mayor and Council, which motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Terhune, the rules were suspended, and the bill of the House to be entitled an act amendatory of the several acts incorporating the city of Rome in this State, was taken up with the amendment of the Senate, which consists in substituting the word "February," in lieu of the word "January." The amendment was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Lawton, the rules were also suspended, and the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House, to be entitled an act to establish and incorporate a Medical College in the city of Savannah, to be called the Oglethorpe Medical College, were concurred in.

Leave of absence was granted Alexander M. Speer, Clerk, for the present, on account of indisposition, and Wm. H. Hunt chosen Clerk pro tem.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit:

A bill to be entitled an act limiting the time in which suits in the Courts of Law in this State must be brought, and also limiting the time in which indictments are to be found and prosecuted in certain cases, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

The House took up the unfinished business of yesterday, to-wit, the report of the committee on the bill offered and adopted as a substitute for the bill to be entitled an act to encourage internal improvement in the State of Georgia, which is a bill to be entitled an act to grant the aid of the State of Georgia to the Ellijay Railroad upon certain conditions therein mentioned. Mr. Pickett moved the previous question, which being seconded was put, and the report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time. The previous question was moved and seconded, to-wit, the question Shall this bill now pass? which being put to the House, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded. They are yeas 31, nays 97.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barton,	Headen,	Phillips,
Boyd,	Hilliard,	Pickett,
Browning,	Hughes,	Powell,
Burnett,	Johnson of Cass,	Rumph,
Causton,	Jones of Lowndes,	Sapp,
Crook,	Julian,	Smith of Clinch,
Cunningham,	Matthews,	Stephens,
Graham,	McClary,	Thompson,
Graves,	McLelan,	Wood,
Harri. of Dough'ty,	Milledge,	Wimberley.
Harris of Fulton,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Davis of Polk,	Jones of Muscogee,
Amis,	Dawson,	Jones of Warren,
Avery,	Dorminy,	Kilgore,
Barrett,	Durden,	King of Fayette,
Barron,	Edenfield,	King of McIntosh,
Battle,	Faulk,	Kirkpatrick,
Beall,	Felton,	Kitchens,
Bird,	Fields,	Lane,
Boykin of Scriven,	Graybill,	Lawton,
Boykin of Troup,	Griffith,	Lewis of Greene,
Bradford,	Hale,	Lewis of Hancock,
Brantley,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Lowe,
Brown of Burke,	Harrison,	Luke,
Brown of Camden,	Haynie,	Maynor,
Brown of Talbot,	Henderson,	McCants,
Butts,	Hill,	M Connel of Catoosa
Caldwell of Walker,	Hoyle,	McConnel of Gord'n
Calloway,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Montgomery,
Carlton,	Hudson of Harris,	Murphy,
Cobb,	Irvin,	Myers,
Cooper,	Johnson of Carroll,	Owen,
Cornwell,	Johnson of Elbert,	Paris,
Cottle,	Johnson of Henry,	Peterson,

Phiniza,	Solomon,	Terhune,
Porter,	Smith of Hancock,	Thornton,
Pruitt,	Smith of Tattnall,	Ward,
Reid,	Smith of Union,	Warthen,
Richards,	Spinks,	Watts,
Roberts,	Stamper,	Whitworth,
Rozier,	Swearingen,	Wiggins,
Sharman,	Tatom,	Williams,
Simmons.	Taylor,	Wynn.
Sinquefield,		

So the bill was lost.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled, signed by the President of the Senate, and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to change the time of holding the Superior and Inferior Courts in certain counties therein named.

Also, an act to authorize the selection and permanent location of a county site in the county of Wayne, and to authorize the building of a new court-house, and the levying of an extra tax, and for other purposes therein specified.

An act to change the time of holding the Superior Court of the county of Newton, and to allow two weeks for holding the same, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An act to establish and incorporate a Medical College in the city of Savannah, to be called the Oglethorpe Medical College.

Also, an act amendatory of the several acts incorporating the city of Rome in this State.

The Committee to whom was referred the bill asking an appropriation of \$20,000 for the improvement of the navigation of the Altamaha river, have had the same under consideration, and respectfully report that the easy and safe navigation of this, one of the first class rivers of the State, is an object of vast importance, not only to the the citizens of fifteen or twenty counties, but to the whole State. It is not only the great highway over which the surplus agricultural products of many counties pass to market, but one also over which has been transported, for consecutive years, from twenty-five to thirty millions feet of lumber, and valuable and important as have been the cultivated crops sent over its bosom to market, the lumber interest, it is thought, has been greatest of the two, and no doubts are felt but this interest would have doubled in the last five years, if the river had been as navigable as it is susceptible of being made at a reasonable outlay of money. The obstructions to safe and easy navigation have arisen mostly from the lodgment of trees and logs that have fallen in or have been brought down by freshets and finally lodged so as to catch others at each succeeding swell, and thus favoring the formation of sand banks. By removing the first, by the axe and the saw, the wa-

ter alone would remove the last. But the work is too great to be accomplished by those living near the stream, and must remain undone unless the State gives aid. The most material and numerous obstructions are found in a remarkable bend of the river, where it makes an irregular but almost complete circle, and much labor has been done to cut thorough the neck of land and thus straighten the river and shorten the distance, and if the work can be completed, important advantages would be gained, but many years must elapse before this can be done without aid from the State.

Your Committee are not aware of what has been done heretofore by past Legislatures for the improvement of the navigation of this or any other river, but something has been done for many, and we feel well assured that the aid now asked for would soon be returned to the State in the enhanced value of the lands in the counties through which the Altamaha runs. We therefore hope the bill will pass.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act to amend the patrol laws of this State, approved February 20th, 1854, so far as relates to the county of Liberty. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend an act passed 18th February, 1854, for the purpose of defining the duties of Ordinaries in ascertaining the number of poor school children, and for other purposes; the duties of Ordinaries in obtaining lists of poor children, and the returns thereof to the Governor; remedy in cases where the names of poor children have been omitted, and the duty of Ordinaries in the payment of accounts of teachers, and when said children live in different counties.

The report thereon was agreed to, when the House adjourned until 3½ o'clock P. M.

HALF PAST THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The following bills were read the second time and ordered to be committed for the third reading, viz:

A bill to be entitled an act to cede to the United States jurisdiction over certain territory within the limits of the city of Savannah.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to give a lien or incumbrance to masons and carpenters, to extend the lien to lumbermen, lumber merchants, sawyers, brick makers, stone cutters, and to all other persons furnishing materials for buildings.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Board of Com-

missioners of public roads of the county of Bryan, to carry on and transact business under certain circumstances, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the payment of Capt. Samuel Patterson's Company of Union Mounted Volunteers for services rendered the State of Georgia in the protection of the citizens of the Cherokee country in the year 1838.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the road laws in the county of Morgan.

A bill to be entitled an act to secure a preference to persons in possession of ungranted lands, and to repeal an act for the same purpose, passed February 17th, 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act organizing the Independent Volunteer Battallion of Augusta, and for other purposes therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and change the second section of an act incorporating the Dalton and Gadsden Railroad Company.

A bill to be entitled an act to compel all incorporated Mining Companies of this State, to give in and pay taxes on their stock in the counties where the mines are located.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Cherokee Baptist Georgia Convention, and to confer upon said Corporation certain powers therein named, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the seventh section of the act incorporating the city of Dalton in the county of Whitfield, assented to on the 20th day of December, 1853, so as to give the election of Marshal, Clerk and Treasurer of said city to the qualified voters of said city, and to require the Mayor of said city to make out and publish semi-annual reports of the financial operations of said city in each of the newspapers of said city, to provide for the election of a County Treasurer for the county of Whitfield by the qualified voters of said county and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to explain, and supplementary to an act entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of the county of Washington to levy and collect an extra tax for the purpose of building a court-house and jail, assented to Dec. 22d, 1835.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter the act passed December 18th, 1792, entitled an act to revise and amend an act for ascertaining the fees of public officers of this State, so far as regards the burial expenses of dead paupers by Coroners.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Mayor and Council of the city of Columbus to do certain acts therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to facilitate the collection of

debts in open accounts by changing the rule now requiring the production of the original books of entry.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal existing laws relative to the importation of slaves into this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Lookout Railroad Company, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

The following bills were read the second time and referred as hereafter specified, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Coffee and Appling so as to add the residence of Calvin Quinn of the county of Coffee to the county of Appling ;

A bill to be entitled an act to change the line between Macon and Taylor counties ;

And a bill to be entitled an act to change the line between Coffee and Appling, were referred to the Committee on Consolidation.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of William Searcy of the county of Talbot, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the Attachment Laws so far as to authorize the issuing of attachment against the estates of deceased persons and for other purposes, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The following bills were reported and read the first time, viz :

Mr. McClary reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the county of Early to pay over to the counties of Calhoun and Clay their distributive share of the poor school fund of said counties, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. McLenan offered a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Montgomery Camp Ground.

Mr. Faulk reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary of Twiggs county to grant letters of guardianship to Daniel W. Shine.

Mr. King of Fayette reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of James R. Robinson, a teacher of poor children of the county of Fayette, for the year 1854.

Mr. Hughes offered a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor to draw his order on the Treasury to the amount of one hundred and sixty dollars, in favor of William S. Norman of the county of Liberty.

Mr. Battle reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Robert P. Coleman for teaching poor children in the county of Monroe in the year 1854.

Mr. Rumph reported a bill to be entitled an act supplemental to an act to authorize the selection and permanent location of a county site in the county of Wayne, and to authorize the building of a new court-house, and the levying of

an extra tax, and for other purposes therein specified, approved the day of January, 1856.

Mr. Porter offered the following resolution, which was on motion taken up, read and adopted, viz :

Resolved, That the Committee on the State of the Republic be requested to investigate and report to the House whether the Islands in the Savannah river, adjoining the counties of Effingham and Scriven, belong to the State of Georgia or to the State of South Carolina.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the lines between the counties of Chattahoochee and Muscogee.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Dorminy for a few days on special business.

On motion of Mr. McConnell of Catoosa, the memorial of Michael Dickson and others, which was on Saturday presented and referred to a select committee, was withdrawn from the same at their request, and referred to a special committee consisting of Messrs. McConnell of Catoosa, Lewis of Greene, Caldwell of Walker, Hughes, and King of Fayette.

The following bills of the Senate were read the first time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize and require the Poor School Commissioners of the county of Warren to pay Ezra McCrary out of the Poor School Fund of said county, the amount paid by him as Justice of the Peace out of his individual funds for teaching poor children in said county in the years 1837 and 1838.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court in the counties of Fannin, Telfair and Clinch to lay off said counties into school districts, to appoint trustees for the same, and to provide for the election of a treasurer, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Macon Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, and to confer certain privileges and exemptions.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Macedonia Academy in Coweta county, and to appoint trustees for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Athens Gas Light Company.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Mount Vernon Methodist Camp Ground in the county of Whitfield, and the Waresboro' Camp Ground in the county of Ware, and to appoint Trustees for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit the payment of storage on cotton in the city of Columbus by farmers after selling from their wagons.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize John W. Grant-ham, an infirm citizen of Cobb county, to peddle and vend goods, wares and merchandize in the counties of Cobb,

Cherokee and Paulding, without a license for that purpose, as now required by law.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the first section of the third article of the Constitution of the State.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate and confer certain privileges and powers on the Sandersville Hotel Company, the Pioneer Hook and Ladder Company, and the Church Asylum of Augusta.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Judge of the Superior Court of the county of Whitfield to draw two panels of grand and petit jurors for said county.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the Southern Mutual Insurance Company,

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of teachers of poor children of the several counties of this State for the years 1853, '54 and '55.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal all laws consolidating the offices of Receiver of Tax Returns and Tax Collector in the county of Irwin.

A bill to be entitled an act to point out the mode of ascertaining the relief and support to which widows and orphans are entitled out of the estate of their deceased husbands and parents, in cases where letters testamentary or of administration have or shall be hereafter granted, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the fifth section of an act incorporating the Trustees of the Southern Botanic Medical College, approved Dec. 11th, 1839.

And a bill to make Sarah Catharine Simmons and John Jackson Simmons of the county of Dooly, the adopted heirs of Hardy Pitts and Nancy Pitts.

The House adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23d, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Haynie moved to reconsider so much of the Journal of yesterday as relates to the rejection of the bill to be entitled an act to lend the aid of the State of Georgia to the Ellijay Railroad upon certain conditions therein mentioned.

Upon the question of reconsideration, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 44, nays 75.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barton,	Crook,	Graham,
Boyd,	Cunningham,	Graves,
Burnett,	Davis of Polk,	Harris of Fulton,
Cannon,	Fields,	Haynie,

Headen,	McClary,	Richards,
Hilliard,	McConnel of Gord'n	Roberts,
Hughes,	McLenan,	Rumph,
Johnson of Carroll,	Milledge,	Sapp,
Johnson of Cass,	Mobley,	Smith of Clinch,
Jones of Lowndes,	Pafford,	Stamper,
Julian,	Parks,	Stephens,
Kilgore,	Peterson,	Thompson,
Lawton,	Phillips,	Wood,
Lewis of Hancock,	Pickett,	Wimberly,
Matthews,	Porter,	
Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.		
Anderson,	Hale,	Owen,
Amiss,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Paris,
Avery,	Henderson,	Pruitt,
Barrett,	Hill,	Reid,
Battle,	Hoyle,	Sharman.
Beall,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Simmons,
Bird,	Hudson of Harris,	Sinquefield,
Boykin of Troup,	Irvin,	Slocumb,
Bradford,	Johnson of Elbert,	Solomon,
Brantley,	Johnson of Henry,	Smith of Bryan,
Brown of Camden,	Jones of Warren,	Smith of Hancock,
Brown of Talbot,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Tattnall,
Caldwell of Walker	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Union,
Calloway,	Kirkpatrick,	Spinks,
Carlton,	Kitchens,	Swearingen,
Cobb,	Lane,	Tatom,
Cooper,	Lewis of Greene,	Thornton,
Cornwell,	Luke,	Walton,
Cottle,	Maynor,	Ward,
Dawson,	McCants,	Warthen,
Durden,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Watts,
Edenfield,	Montgomery,	Whitworth,
Faulk,	Moore,	Wiggins,
Felton,	Murphy,	Williams,
Griffith,	Myers,	Wynn,

So the motion to reconsider was lost.

On motion of Mr. Lawton, the rules were suspended, and he offered the following resolution, which on motion was taken up, read and agreed to, viz:

Whereas in the death of the Hon. John Macpherson Berrien, Georgia has sustained a loss of no ordinary magnitude—the loss of one of her most gifted sons—one eminent alike for all the graces that adorn private worth, and the excellencies that exalt public station, and of whose distinguished services during half a century every Georgian may justly feel proud—it is meet that we should make some record of the deep sense we entertain of this touching bereavement:

Be it therefore Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly met, That we have heard with the deepest regret of the death of the Hon. John Macpherson Berrion, whose talents, while living, reflected honor on his State and country, and the memory of whose services, now dead, will be traced in one of the brightest pages of their history.

Resolved, That while the pre-eminent public services of the deceased—his career at the bar, on the bench, in the Cabinet and the Senate—have given a lustre to his name too well earned and wide-spread to be confined within the limits of this State, Georgia mourns the loss of her illustrious son with a sadness which is peculiarly her own.

Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor be requested to forward a copy of these proceedings to the family of the deceased.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Lowe on account of special business, and Mr. Davis of Bibb on account of ill health for a few days.

The Committee to whom was referred the bill to endow the Southern Botanical Medical College at Macon, beg leave to make the following report :

They have investigated the position and standing of said College, and find it advancing by the cultivation of the varied departments of medical science, the intelligence and intellectual acquirements of its graduates. As the State has made it the duty of said College to educate free of charge one young man from each Congressional district.

Your Committee deemed it but proper to make enquiry in regard to its capability of instruction, and find the different chairs of Physiology and Pathology, Materia Medica, Theory and Practice of Medicine, Chemistry, Botany, Anatomy, and Surgery and Medical Jurisprudence, are filled by gentlemen amply able to teach these subjects, as is best evidenced by the fact of students now attending at the lectures in said College from South Carolina, Alabama, Virginia and Ohio, seeking its instruction, as well as a large number from our own State.

They also learn that the endowment given by a former Legislature, was laid out in the purchase of a building which was destroyed by fire, and that a large portion of the fixtures and apparatus of said College were destroyed.

From this, as well as the additional facts that the number of its students is rapidly increasing, and that the system of medical practice taught in this institution is patronized by a large and respectable portion of our citizens; and also that the endowment now asked will be expended in the enlargement of said College, to accommodate the increasing number of its patrons, and in the purchase of an apparatus, &c. necessary to instruct the students in the different branches

of science taught in said College, this Committee recommend the passage of said bill.

The Speaker announced that a sealed document was on his table, which on motion was opened and read before the House.

Mr. Haynie offered the following resolution, to-wit :

Resolved, That the report of the State Treasurer setting forth the amount of mileage and per diem paid to the last General Assembly and the present up to the date of the same, be referred to a special committee.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee, offered to amend by adding "that one hundred and sixty copies be printed for the use of the House." Before any definite action upon the same, Mr. Hoyle moved to lay the report and the propositions pending in regard to it, on the table for the balance of the Session. Upon this motion the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 59, nays 67.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Headen,	Pruitt,
Avery,	Hilliard,	Roberts,
Barrett,	Hoyle,	Rumph,
Beall,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Simmons,
Bird,	Hughes,	Slocumb,
Boyd,	Irvin,	Smith of Union,
Boykin of Scriven,	Johnson of Carroll,	Spinks,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Elbert,	Stamper,
Browning,	Jones of Warren,	Stephens,
Caldwell of Walker,	Julian,	Swearingen,
Calloway,	Kilgore,	Taylor,
Cobb,	King of Fayette,	Terhune,
Cooper,	King of McIntosh,	Thompson,
Crook,	Kitchens,	Thornton,
Cunningham,	Luke,	Wood,
Davis of Polk,	Maynor,	Ward,
Faulk,	McClary,	Whitworth,
Fields,	Parks,	Wimberly,
Graham,	Pickett,	Wynn.
Graybill,	Powell,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Cannon,	Hale,
Barron,	Carlton,	Harris of Fulton,
Barton,	Causey,	Harris of Meriwe'r,
Battle,	Cornwell,	Harrison,
Boykin of Troup,	Cottle,	Haynie,
Bradford,	Dawson,	Hill,
Brown of Burke,	Durden,	Hudson of Harris,
Brown of Talbot,	Felton,	Johnson of Cass,
Burnett,	Graves,	Johnson of Henry,
Butts,	Griffith,	Jones of Lowndes,

Jones of Muscogee,	Moore,	Sharman,
Kirkpatrick,	Murphy,	Solomon,
Lawton,	Myers,	Smith of Bryan,
Lewis of Greene,	Owen,	Smith of Clinch,
Lewis of Hancock,	Passford,	Smith of Hancock,
Matthews,	Paris,	Smith of Tattnell,
McCants,	Peterson,	Tatom,
M'Connel of Catoosa,	Phillips,	Walton,
McConnel of Gord'n,	Phinizy,	Warthen,
McLelan,	Reid,	Watts,
Milledge,	Richards,	Wiggins,
Mobley,	Sapp,	Williams,
Montgomery,		

So the motion was lost.

The amendment offered by Mr. Jones was then received, and the resolution as amended was agreed to.

The Judiciary Committee made the following reports, viz:

They recommend the passage of the bill to be entitled an act to give defendants damages for frivolous suits against them, and a bill to be entitled an act to define and establish the fees of Ordinaries, Clerks of the Superior and Inferior Courts, Sheriffs, Jailors, Justices of the Peace and Constables of this State.

The same Committee report as a substitute for the bill to be entitled an act to provide for garnishment in certain cases, and for other purposes, a bill to be entitled an act to provide for attachment in certain cases, and for other purposes.

The Committee on New Counties reported favorably to the passage of the bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Baker and Early.

A majority of the same Committee recommend the passage of the bill to organize a new county from the counties of Walton, Gwinnett and Jackson.

The bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Early and Baker, was on motion made the special order for the 25th instant.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Wilson L. Owen of Upson county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to make Walter R. Youlles, formerly ly Walter R. Highsmith, son of Walter Youlles of the county of Wayne, the lawful heir of the said Walter Youlles of said county of Wayne. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Fields in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to compensate Dr. Bedford J. Head for medical services rendered to the citizens of Oglethorpe during the prevalence of small pox

in said county. After some time being spent therein, the committee arose, and reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to; Mr. Haynie moved to lay the bill on the table for the balance of the Session. The yeas and nays were required to be recorded and are yeas 60, nays 61.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Faulk,	Mobley,
Amiss,	Fields,	Parks,
Avery,	Harrison,	Pickett,
Barrett,	Haynie,	Porter,
Barron,	Headen,	Pruitt,
Beall,	Hilliard,	Reid,
Bird,	Hudson of Gwin'tt.	Roberts,
Brown of Burke,	Irvin,	Rozier,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Carroll,	Rumph,
Browning,	Johnson of Elbert,	Simmons,
Calloway,	Jones of Muscogee,	Slocumb,
Cobb,	Jones of Warren,	Smith of Clinch,
Cooper,	Julian,	Spinks,
Cornwell,	Kilgore,	Stamper,
Crook,	King of Fayette,	Stephens,
Cunningham,	Kitchens,	Swearingen,
Davis of Polk,	Lawton,	Thompson,
Dozier,	Luke,	Wood,
Durden,	Maynor,	Watts.
Edenfield,	McConnel of Gord'n	Whitworth,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barton,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Owen,
Battle,	Hill,	Pafford,
Boyd,	Hoyle,	Paris,
Boykin of Troup,	Hughes,	Peterson,
Bradford,	Johnson of Cass,	Phillips,
Brantley,	Jones of Lowndes,	Phinizy,
Brown of Talbot,	King of McIntosh,	Sapp,
Burnett,	Kirkpatrick,	Sharman,
Butts,	Lane,	Sinquefield,
Caldwell of Walker,	Lewis of Greene,	Solomon,
Cannon,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Hancock,
Carlton,	Matthews,	Smith of Tattnall,
Causey,	McCants,	Tatom,
Cottle,	McClary,	Terhune,
Dawson,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Thornton,
Felton,	McLelan,	Ward,
Graham,	Milledge,	Warthen,
Graves,	Montgomery,	Wiggins,
Griffith,	Moore,	Williams,
Hale,	Murphey,	Wynn.

Harris of Fulton,

So the motion was lost.

Amendments were offered and received providing for the appropriation of eight hundred dollars to the county of Burke, two thousand dollars to the county of Cass, one thousand dollars to the county of Scriven, and two thousand dollars for the county of Oglethorpe, to remunerate said counties for money expended in treating cases of small pox, and arresting said disease in certain years.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock offered a substitute for the original bill and amendments, to be entitled an act for the relief of B. J. Head of Macon county.

The hour of half past one arrived, previous to any action on the same, and the House adjourned until half past three o'clock, P. M.

HALF PAST THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The following bills were reported and read the first time, viz:—

Mr. Lawton reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Needle Woman's Friend Society ;

And a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Masonic Hall of the city of Savannah.

Mr. McClary offered a bill to be entitled an act to grant unto the Inferior Court of Calhoun county a strip of unsurveyed land, and for other purposes therein specified.

Mr. Thompson reported a bill to be entitled an act to allow the county of Charlton to retain two hundred and fifty dollars of the State Tax per annum for the years 1856 and 1857, for the purpose of assisting to build a court-house and jail in said county, and also to levy a county tax.

Mr. Brown reported a bill to be entitled an act to refund to E. P. Albuti, a non-resident tax-payer of the county of Camden, a certain amount of money.

Mr. Boyd reported a bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the act incorporating Lumpkin County Manufacturing Company.

Mr. Ward reported a bill to be entitled an act amendatory of an act of the General Assembly of the State of Georgia approved the 5th Dec. 1806, concerning divorces, by repealing a portion of the third section of said act.

Mr. Watts reported a bill to be entitled an act to extend and enlarge the act of the 20th Feb. 1854, so as to include in the county of Campbell, not only the residence of Nathan Camp, but the whole of lot of land number 67, in the 9th dist. of the county of Fayette.

Mr. Lewis of Greene reported a bill to be entitled an act

to appropriate money to compensate the State Treasurer for extraordinary services.

Mr. Edenfield offered a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Treasurer of this State to pay to the Ordinary of Emanuel county the sum of sixty-one dollars, balance due said county for poor school purposes.

Mr. Porter offered a bill to be entitled an act to repeal the 7th section of an act entitled an act to amend the road and patrol laws of this State so far as relates to the county of Ettingham.

Mr. Lawton reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize Charles S. Arnold to marry again, and for other purposes.

Mr. Cooper reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize Luther W. T. Easley of Walton county, a minor, to plead and practise law upon certain conditions therein mentioned.

Mr. Kirkpatrick offered a bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Fayette and Spalding.

Mr. Irvin, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize Judges of the Superior Courts of this State to appoint receivers during vacation, and to require the complainant in all cases asking for writs of "ne exeat," "quia timet," and all applications asking for the appointment of a receiver, or for an injunction, to give bond and security to the respondent for any loss or damage which he or they may sustain by the suing out of said writs, and for other purposes.

Mr. Phillips reported a bill to be entitled an act to compensate the editor of the Federal Union for services to the State.

Mr. Stamper reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the village of Chickasawhatchie in the county of Lee, to appoint Commissioners of the same, and to confer certain powers upon said Commissioners, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Wiggins offered a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Wm. G. Booth and Phillip H. Delane, teachers of poor children of the county of Marion for the year 1851.

Mr. Jones of Lowndes reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of J. T. C. Adams, John Pike and Ebenezer Perkins, all of the county of Lowndes.

Mr. Thornton reported a bill to be entitled an act to create a Judicial Circuit to be called the Columbus Circuit, and for other purposes.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee reported a bill to be entitled an act to lay out a new county from the counties of Muscogee, Chattahoochee, Marion, Harris and Talbot, and for other purposes.

The Committee appointed by the Chair to take into consideration the report of the Treasurer relative to the per di-

em and mileage of members of the last and present General Assemblies. are Messrs. Haynie, Lewis of Hancock, Phillips, Thornton and Lawton.

Mr. Boykin offered the following resolution, which on motion, was taken up, read, agreed to, and ordered to be transmitted without delay to the Senate :

Whereas there is an act of Congress in force compelling among other water crafts, all steamboats on any river to provide themselves with life-preservers, and whereas the steamboats on Savannah river, plying between Savannah and Augusta, will not provide themselves with the same, and will not take passengers on said river, because the passage money will not warrant the outlay necessary for the purchase of such life-preservers, and therefore persons living on and contiguous to said river are frequently put to serious inconvenience for want of conveyance from and to different points thereon—Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Georgia in General Assembly met, That our Senators and Representatives in the Congress be and are hereby requested to use their immediate exertions to procure the repeal of said law so far as it relates to said Savannah river, and to steamboats plying on the same from Savannah up said river and down the same.

And be it further Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor transmit to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress a copy of these resolutions.

The following resolutions were offered, and on motion taken up, read and agreed to, viz :

Mr. Fields : *Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the Treasurer be directed to communicate to this House a report of the mileage and per diem of members of the Legislature for the years 1851 and 1852, and that the Clerk of this House transmit a copy of this resolution to the Treasurer immediately.*

Mr. Kilgore : *Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor of the State be and he is hereby authorized to cause to be forwarded to the Justice's of the Peace of the 415th District G. M. (Walton county) such law books and forms as are usually furnished to Justices of the Peace in the several Districts of this State.*

Mr. Watts : *Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor be authorized and requested to furnish a copy of Cobb's New Digest, Cobb's Analysis and Forms, and a copy each of the Acts and Journals of the General Assembly for the years 1851 and 2 and 1853 and 4 to the Justices of the Peace of the 1134th Dist. G. M. of the county of Campbell.*

The following message was this day received from his Excellency the Governor, through Mr. deGraffinied, his Secretary, which on motion was taken up and read :

Mr. Speaker:—I am directed by his Excellency the Governor to transmit to the House of Representatives a communication in writing, with accompanying documents :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
MILLEDGEVILLE, GEORGIA, Jan. 23, 1856. }

To the House of Representatives—

I have the honor to transmit to the General Assembly the Fourth Annual Report of the Georgia Asylum for the Blind.
HERSCHEL V. JOHNSON.

The following bills of the Senate were read the first time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act limiting the time in which suits in the Courts of Law in this State must be brought, and also limiting the time in which indictments are to be found and prosecuted in certain cases, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of J. P. Phinizee of the county of Monroe, a minor in the 20th year of his age.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinaries of Whitfield, Lincoln and Fulton counties to pay arrearages due the teachers of poor children for certain years therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to make valid certain surveys, warrants and grants, and to authorize certain grants to be issued.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the estate of Joseph White, late of the county of Stewart, deceased.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Interior Courts in the counties of Fannin, Telfair and Clinch to lay off said counties into school districts, to appoint trustees for the same, and to provide for the election of a treasurer for each of said districts, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to legalize the place of holding Justices' Courts in the 537 Dist. G. M. in the county of Upson;

And a bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the 12th section of the 1st article of the Constitution of this State.

Mr. Terhune offered a resolution requiring the House, in addition to its present morning and afternoon sessions to meet at 7 o'clock P. M. and adjourn at 9 o'clock P. M. from Monday next. On the question of agreeing to the same, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and the hour of 5 o'clock having arrived during the call of the yeas and nays, the Speaker declared the House adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Crook moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the order to print and refer to a special committee the report of the Treasurer of the mileage and per diem of the present and last General Assemblies.— Upon this motion the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 78, nays 44.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Haynie,	Myers,
Avery,	Headen,	Parks,
Barrett,	Hill,	Peterson,
Beall,	Hilliard,	Phillips,
Bird,	Hoyle,	Pickett,
Boyd,	Hudson of Gwin'tt	Pruitt,
Boykin of Scriven	Hughes,	Reid,
Bradford,	Irvin,	Richards,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Carroll,	Roberts,
Browning,	Johnson of Elbert,	Rozier,
Caldwell of Walker,	Jones of Lowndes,	Rumph,
Calloway,	Jones of Muscogee,	Simmons,
Cannon,	Jones of Warren,	Slocumb,
Causey,	Julian,	Smith of Tattall,
Cobb,	Kilgore,	Smith of Union,
Cooper,	King of Fayette,	Spinks,
Crook,	King of McIntosh,	Stamper.
Cunningham,	Kitchens,	Stephens,
Davis of Polk,	Lawton,	Swearingen,
Dozier,	Luke,	Taylor,
Durden,	Maynor,	Terhune,
Edenfield,	McClary,	Thompson,
Fields,	M'Connel of Gordon	Wood,
Graves,	McLelan,	Ward,
Griffeth,	Milledge,	Watts,
Harrison,	Mobley,	Whitworth.

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barton,	Hudson of Harris,	Paris,
Boykin of Troup,	Johnson of Cass,	Phmizy,
Brantley,	Johnson of Henry,	Sapp,
Brown of Burke,	Kirkpatrick,	Sharman,
Brown of Talbot,	Lane,	Sinquefield,
Burnett,	Lewis of Greene,	Solomon,
Butts,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Clinch,
Cornwell,	Matthews,	Smith of Hancock,
Cottle,	McCants,	Tatom,
Dawson,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Walton,
Faulk,	Moore,	Warthen,
Gordon,	Murphey,	Wiggins,
Hale,	Owen,	Williams.
Harris of Fulton,	Pafford,	Wimberly.
Harris of Meriwether,		

So the motion to reconsider prevailed.

The unfinished business of yesterday was taken up, which was the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Dr. B. J. Head of Macon county, offered as a substitute for a bill to be entitled an act to compensate B. J. Head for medical services rendered to the citizens of Oglethorpe during the prevalence of the small pox in said city, and the amendments thereto. The same was adopted. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and upon the question shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded and are yeas 63, nays 69.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barton,	Hale,	Moore,
Battle,	Harris of Fulton,	Murphy,
Bradford,	Harris of Meriw'r,	Owen,
Brantley,	Henderson,	Pafford,
Brown of Camden,	Hill,	Paris,
Brown of Talbot,	Hoyle,	Peterson,
Browning,	Hudson of Harris,	Phillips,
Burnett,	Hughes,	Powell,
Butts,	Johnson of Cass,	Sapp,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Henry,	Sharman,
Calloway,	Jones of Lowndes,	Sinquefield,
Carlton,	King of McIntosh,	Solomon,
Causey,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Bryan,
Cottle,	Lane,	Smith of Hancock,
Crook,	Lewis of Greene,	Tatom,
Dawson,	Lewis of Hancock,	Taylor,
Edenfield,	Matthews,	Tharpe,
Felton,	McCants,	Ward,
Gordon,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Wiggins,
Graham,	Milledge,	Wimberly,
Graves,	Montgomery,	Wynn.

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Dozier,	Kilgore,
Amiss,	Durden,	King of Fayette,
Avery,	Faulk,	Kitchens,
Barrett,	Fields,	Lawton,
Barron,	Griffith,	Luke,
Beall,	Harrison,	Maynor,
Bird,	Haynie,	McClary,
Boyd,	Headen,	McConnel of Gord'n
Boykin of Scriven,	Hilliard,	McLelan,
Brown of Burke,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Mobley,
Cannon,	Irvin,	Myers,
Cobb,	Johnson of Carroll,	Parks,
Cooper,	Johnson of Elbert,	Phinizy,
Cornwell,	Jones of Muscogee,	Pickett,
Cunningham,	Jones of Warren,	Pruitt,
Davis of Polk,	Julian,	Reid,

Richards,	Smith of Clinch,	Swearingen,
Roberts,	Smith of Tattnall,	Terhune,
Rozier,	Smith of Union,	Thompson,
Rumph,	Spinks,	Wood,
Simmons,	Stamper,	Watts,
Slocumb,	Stephens,	Whitworth,

So the bill was lost.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Lewis of Greene in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Rebecca B. B. Cohen and Perla S. Solomons of Savannah, heirs of Moses and Moredcea Sheftall, which was the special order for to-day, and was offered by the special committee for the original bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the same parties. After some time spent therein, the committee arose, and reported the same back to the House without amendment. The substitute was adopted. The report was agreed to, and on motion, the bill was laid on the table for the present.

On motion the House took up the bill to be entitled an act to lay out a new county out of the counties of Polk and Carroll and to organize the same, which originated in the House and passed the Senate with certain amendments. The same were concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Hill of Troup, the following resolution of the Senate was taken up, read and concurred in, viz :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Georgia in General Assembly met, That his Excellency the Governor cause the Superintendant of the Western and Atlantic Railroad, to report to the General Assembly at as early a day as practicable the amount of iron taken up on said Road since the last Session of the General Assembly ; what amount of said iron has been sold, when sold and how sold, whether publicly or privately, to whom sold and for what price ; and how much remains on hand unsold, and whether or not there is any contract for the iron to be taken up ; if so, for how much and for what price, and to whom sold.

The following Message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has agreed to a resolution of the House of Representatives in relation to the death of Hon. John Macpherson Berrien.

Also a bill of the House of Representatives laying out a new county from the counties of Carroll and Polk, with amendments in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter, amend and extend an act to incorporate a Bank to be called the Exchange Bank of the city of Savannah, to legalize and make valid the acts of some

of the Commissioners and for other purposes. Pending the discussion upon the question of agreeing to the report of the committee thereon, the hour of half past one arrived and the House adjourned under the rule thereof, to half past three o'clock. P. M.

HALF PAST THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The following Senate bills were read the first time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to change the mode of apportioning the poor school fund of Baker county, with the counties of Dougherty and Calhoun.

A bill to be entitled an act in relation to allowing Tax Collectors an insolvent lists by the Grand Juries of the several counties of this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize and require the Ordinary of Jackson county to pay to D. M. Burns, jr., his account for teaching certain poor children of said county in the year 1850.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Warren county to levy an additional tax sufficient to defray the annual expenses of the county and one-third of the present indebtedness of said county.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act to appropriate a sum of money to remove obstructions from the Big and Little Ohoopie rivers and to render the same navigable for the transportation of timber, rafts, lumber, wood and produce thereon and for other purposes herein mentioned, approved February 4th, 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize and require the Treasurer of Glynn County Academy to pay over certain monies in his hands.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Elberton Male Academy, in the town of Elberton, and County Line Academy in the county of Marion and to appoint Trustees for the same.

The following bills of the House were read the second time, and committed for a third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of James R. Robinson a teacher of poor children of the county of Fayette, for the year 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary of Twiggs county to grant letters of Guardianship to Daniel W. Shine.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Montgomery Camp Ground.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor to

draw his order on the Treasury to the amount of one hundred and sixty dollars in favor of Wm. S. Norman of the county of Liberty.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Robert P. Coleman for teaching poor children in the county of Monroe, in the year 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act supplemental to an act authorizing the selection and permanent location of the county site in the county of Wayne, and to authorize the building of a new Court-house and the levying an extra tax and for other purposes therein specified, approved the day of January, 1856.

A bill to be entitled an act to allow the county of Charlton to retain two hundred and fifty dollars of the State tax per annum, for the years 1856 and 1857, for the purpose of assisting to build a Court house and Jail in said county, and also to levy a county tax.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal the 7th section of an act entitled an act to amend the road and patrol laws of this State so far as relates to the county of Effingham.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Needle Woman's Friend Society.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Charles S. Arnold to marry again, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to grant unto the Inferior Court of Calhoun county a certain strip of ungranted land, and for other purposes therein specified.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of J. T. C. Adams, John Pike and E. Perkins, all of the county of Lowndes.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor of this State to pay to the Ordinary of Emanuel county the sum of sixty-one dollars balance due said county for poor school purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to refund to E. R. Albati, a non-resident tax payer of the county of Camden, a certain amount of money.

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to compensate the State Treasurer for extraordinary services.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Masonic Hall in the city of Savannah.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the county of Early to pay over to the counties of Calhoun and Clay the distributive share of the poor school fund of said counties, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act amendatory of an act of the General Assembly of Georgia approved the 5th December, 1806, concerning divorces by repealing a portion of the third section of said act.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of William G.

Booth and Phillip H. Delane teachers of poor children of the county of Marion, for the year 1851

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the village of Chicasawhatchee in the county of Lee, and to appoint Commissioners of the same and to confer certain powers upon said Commissioners and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to create a Judicial Circuit to be called the Columbus Circuit and for other purposes.

*A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Luther W. T. Easley of Walton county, a minor to plead and practice law upon certain conditions therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the act incorporating the Lumpkin county Manufacturing Company, assented to 24th December, 1840 ;

And a bill to be entitled an act to authorize Judges of the Superior Courts of this State to appoint receivers during vacation, and to require the complainant in all cases asking for writs of ne exeat, quia timet, and all applications asking for the appointment of a receiver or for an injunction, to give bond and security to the respondent for any loss or damage which he or they may sustain by the suing out of said writs, and for other purposes.

The following bills of the House were read the second time and referred as hereafter specified, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to lay out a new county from the counties of Muscogee, Chattahoochee, Marion, Harris and Talbot and for other purposes, was referred under a rule to the Committee on New Counties.

A bill to be entitled an act to extend and enlarge the act of the 20th February, 1854, so as to include in the county of Campbell not only the residence of Nathan Camp, but the whole of lot of land number 67, in the 9th district of the county of Fayette.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the lines between the counties of Fayette and Spalding ;

And a bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Chattahoochee and Muscogee, were referred under a rule to the Consolidation Committee.

The following bills were reported and read the first time, viz :

Mr. Crook reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the delivery of certain papers under certain circumstances.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize parties complainant either in Law or Equity to perfect service of writs against corporations, under certain circumstances therein named.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and committed for a third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Brunswick in the county of Glynn, to define its jurisdictional limits, to provide for the election of the Mayor and City Council and such other officers as may be required, and confer upon them special powers, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Atlanta Female College, located in Atlanta, and to confer powers on the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to change, define and limit the time of holding the Superior Courts of the counties of Crawford, Twiggs, Macon and Dooly.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the residence of Charles Merit, sen., from the county of Coffee to the county of Irwin, and to change several other county lines therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John J. Morris and John C. Morris of Clay county.

And a bill to be entitled an act to regulate the fees of Pilots for the Port of Savannah.

A bill to be entitled an act to compensate the grand and petit jurors of the county of Tattnall, and authorize the Inferior Court to assess such additional tax as shall be necessary for that purpose.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Hydrant Water Company of Columbus.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of James Henry Fannin of the county of Troup, a minor in the twenty-first year of his age.

A bill to be entitled an act to add lots of land Nos. 117 and 118 in the 6th District of Irwin county to the county of Worth.

A bill to be entitled an act to compensate the petit jurors of Dougherty and other counties.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate the Brunswick and Florida Railroad Company, passed 22d December, 1835, and also to amend an act amendatory of the same, assented to the 27th December, 1838.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Mary Ann Lee of the county of Ware, and for other persons herein named, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the 12th section of the first article of the Constitution of this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to point out the mode of ascertaining the relief and support to which widows and orphans are entitled out of the estate of their deceased husbands and parents in cases where letters testamentary or of administration have or shall be hereafter granted, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Courts in the counties of Fannin, Telfair and Clinch to lay off said counties into school districts, to appoint Trustees for the same, and to provide for the election of a Treasurer for each of said districts and for other purposes therein mentioned.

● A bill to be entitled an act to legalize the place of holding Justice's Court in the 537th District G. M. in the county of Upson.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the 5th section of an act incorporating the Trustees of the Southern Botanical Medical College, approved December 11th, 1839.

A bill to be entitled an act to make Sarah Catharine Simmons and John Jackson Simmons, of the county of Dooley, the adopted heirs of Hardy Pitts and Nancy Pitts.

A bill to be entitled an act to compensate grand and petit jurors of the county of Catoosa.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Constables in and for the counties of Telfair, Irwin and Coffee, and who have taken oath and given bond in terms of the law, to serve any process whatever on the Sheriffs of their respective counties, and return the same to the Court from whence such process issued.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justice of the Inferior Court of Carroll county to levy and collect an extra tax for the purpose of building a Court-house in said county.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Giles Widener of the county of Gordon.

A bill to be entitled an act to add the county of Carroll to the 4th Congressional District.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act passed 18th February, 1854, to provide for the education of the poor, so far as the counties of Habersham and Carroll are concerned, and to require the Ordinary of Chattooga county to pay the widow of Harrison H. Strange a certain sum therein named, so far as relates to the county of Habersham and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Sixes Mining Company of Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the name of Austin G. L. Cheek of the county of Carroll, to that of Austin G. L. Crider.

A bill to be entitled an act to reduce the Sheriff's bond of Tattnall county.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act to prevent the killing of deer at certain seasons of the year in the counties of Burke and Worth, so far as relates to the county of Worth.

A bill to be entitled an act to define the liability of the several Railroad companies of this State, for injury to per-

sons or property, to prescribe in what counties they may be sued and how served with process.

¶ A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to alter and change the mode of appointing trustees for Glynn county Academy of the county of Glynn, and to compel their treasurer to give bond and security for the faithful performance of his duty, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to protect the planters of oyster beds, and to give exclusive right to the usufruct of natural beds of oysters in certain cases, and to prevent the taking of terrapins and turtles in certain seasons.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Gabriel Sisk, an infirm and indigent citizen of the county of Habersham.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to compel persons living in the county of Wayne to give in and pay their taxes in said county, for all property in the State, so far as relates to the counties of Glynn and Camden, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the collection of jury fees in the Superior and Interior Courts of the county of Coweta.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Athens Guards.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to regulate the granting of new trials, approved February 20th, 1854.

And a bill to be entitled an act to give the election of County Treasurer of the counties of Taylor, Chattooga, Chattahoochee, Calhoun, Spaulding, Rabun, Walker, Polk, Worth, Fannin, Campbell and Clinch, to the legal voters of said counties.

On motion of Mr. Irvin, the bill to be entitled an act to provide for attachments in certain cases and for other purposes, which was offered by the Judiciary Committee as a substitute for the bill to be entitled an act to provide for garnishment in certain cases and for other purposes, was made the special order for the second of February, and one hundred and sixty copies thereof ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

The hour of five having arrived, the House by virtue of resolution to that effect, adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Carlton moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the rejection of the bill to be enti-

pled an act for the relief of Dr. B. J. Head of Macon county. Upon this proposition the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 70, nays 48.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Hale,	Pafford,
Barton,	Harris of Meriwe'r	Paris,
Battle,	Haynie,	Peterson,
Boyd,	Hill,	Phillips,
Boykin of Troup,	Hilliard,	Powell,
Brantley,	Hoyle,	Richards,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Carroll,	Rumph,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Cass,	Sapp,
Browning,	Johnson of Henry,	Sharman,
Burnett,	Jones of Lowndes,	Solomon,
Butts,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Bryan,
Caldwell of Walker,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Clinch,
Cannon,	Lane,	Smith of Hancock
Carlton,	Lewis of Greene,	Stamper,
Causey,	Matthews,	Tatom,
Cobb,	McCants,	Tharpe,
Cottle,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Thompson,
Crook,	McLenan,	Thornton,
Davis of Bibb,	Milledge,	Wood,
Davis of Polk,	Montgomery,	Ward,
Dawson,	Moore,	Wiggins,
Dorminy,	Murphey,	Williams,
Edenfield,	Owen,	Wimberly.
Felton,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Parks,
Barrett,	Hughes,	Pickett,
Beall,	Irvin,	Porter,
Bird,	Johnson of Elbert,	Pruitt,
Brown of Burke,	Jones of Muscogee,	Reid,
Calloway,	Jones of Warren,	Rozier,
Cooper,	Julian,	Simmons,
Cornwell,	Kilgore,	Sinquefield,
Cunningham,	Kitchens,	Slocumb,
Dozier,	Lawton,	Smith of Tattñall,
Durden,	Luke,	Smith of Union,
Faulk,	Maynor,	Spinks,
Graham,	McClary,	Stephens,
Griffith,	McConnel of Gold'n	Swearingen,
Harrison,	Mobley,	Watts,
Headen,	Myers,	Whitworth,
Henderson,		

So the motion to reconsider prevailed.

Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Harris of Fulton, Graybill, Bradford, Rozier, Caldwell of Pike, Harrell,

Battle and Harris of Dougherty, for a few days on account of sickness and special business.

The bill to be entitled an act to alter, amend and extend an act to incorporate a Bank to be called the Exchange Bank of the city of Savannah, to legalize and make valid the acts of some of the Commissioners and for other purposes, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was taken up and on motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, laid on the table for the present.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to establish a general school system, to create a fund for the same, to lay off the State into School Districts, and to repeal the Poor School Law and for other purposes therein named, which was reported by a select committee as a substitute for a bill of a similar title. On motion of Mr. Irvin, the committee arose and reported progress. Mr. Jones of Muscogee moved the indefinite postponement of the bill, and called the previous question therein. Upon the proposition to second the same the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 79, nays 44.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Griffith,	Mobley,
Amiss,	Hale,	Montgomery,
Avery,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	Myers,
Barrett,	Harrison,	Owen,
Battle,	Haynie,	Parks,
Beall,	Henderson,	Peterson,
Bird,	Hill,	Phinzy,
Boykin of Troup,	Hilliard,	Porter,
Brantley,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Pruitt,
Brown of Burke,	Irvin,	Reid,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Carroll,	Rumph,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Cass,	Sapp,
Browning,	Johnson of Elbert,	Sharman,
Calloway,	Jones of Muscogee,	Simmons,
Causey,	Jones of Warren,	Sinquefield,
Cobb,	King of McIntosh,	Solomon,
Cooper,	Kitchens,	Smith of Tattnal,
Cottle,	Lane,	Stamper,
Davis of Bibb,	Lawton,	Swearingen,
Dorminy,	Lewis of Greene,	Tharpe,
Durden,	Luke,	Thompson,
Edenfield,	Matthews,	Walton,
Faulk,	Maynor,	Ward,
Felton,	McClary,	Warthen,
Fields,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Williams,
Graham,	M'Connel of Gordon,	Wimberly,
Graves,	McLelan,	Wynn,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barron,	Barton,	Boyd,
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Butts,	Hughes,	Powell,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Henry,	Richards,
Cannon,	Jones of Lowndes,	Roberts,
Carlton,	Julian,	Smith of Bryan
Cornwell,	Kilgore,	Smith of Clinch
Crook,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Hancock,
Cunningham,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Union,
Davis of Polk,	Lewis of Hancock,	Stephens,
Dawson,	McCants,	Terhune,
Gordon,	Moore,	Wood,
Harris of Fulton,	Murphy,	Watts,
Headen,	Paris,	Whitworth,
Hoyle,	Phillips,	Wiggins,
Hudson of Harris,	Pickett,	

So the call was seconded and the main question put, which was the motion to postpone indefinitely. The yeas and nays thereon were required to be recorded and are yeas 76, nays 51.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs :

Anderson,	Griffith,	Myers,
Amiss,	Hale,	Owen,
Avery,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	Peterson,
Barrett,	Harrison,	Phinzy,
Battle,	Henderson,	Porter,
Beall,	Hill,	Pruitt,
Bird,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Reid,
Boykin of Scriven,	Irvine,	Rozier,
Brantley,	Johnson of Carroll,	Rumph,
Brown of Burke,	Johnson of Cass,	Sharman,
Brown of Camden,	Jones of Muscogee,	Simmons,
Brown of Talbot,	Jones of Warren,	Sinquefield,
Browning,	King of McIntosh,	Solomon,
Calloway,	Kitchens,	Smith of Hancock,
Causey,	Lane,	Spinks,
Cobb,	Lawton,	Stamper,
Cottle,	Luke,	Swearingen,
Davis of Bibb,	Matthews,	Tatom,
Dawson,	Maynor,	Tharpe,
Dorminy,	McClary,	Thornton,
Dozier,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Ward,
Durden,	M'Connel of Gord'n,	Warthen,
Edenfield,	McLelan,	Williams,
Faulk,	Mobley,	Wimberly,
Graham,	Montgomery,	Wynn,
Graves,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs :

Barron,	Caldwell of Walker,	Cornwell,
Barton,	Cannon,	Crook,
Boyd,	Carlton,	Cunningham,
Butts,	Cooper,	Davis of Polk,

Felton,	Lewis of Hancock,	Slocumb,
Fields,	McCants,	Smith of Bryan,
Haynie,	Moore,	Smith of Clinch,
Headen,	Murphey,	Smith of Tattnall,
Hilliard,	Pafford,	Smith of Union,
Hoyle,	Parks,	Stephens,
Hudson of Harris,	Paris,	Terhune,
Hughes,	Phillips,	Thompson,
Julian,	Pickett,	Wood,
Kilgore,	Powell,	Walton,
King of Fayette,	Richards,	Watts.
Kirkpatrick,	Roberts,	Whitworth,
Lewis of Greene,	Sapp,	Wiggins,

So the motion to postpone prevailed.

The bill offered by Mr. Lewis of Hancock as a substitute for the bill to be entitled an act to provide for the education of the youth of Georgia in the rudiments of an English education being also the special order for to-day was taken up, and on motion of the mover of the same, made the special order for to-morrow.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Lewis of Greene in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to endow the Southern Botanical Medical College of the city of Macon. After sometime spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and on the question shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded and are yeas 53, nays 73.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Hill,	Pafford,
Barrett,	Irvin,	Paris,
Barron,	Johnson of Cass,	Phillips,
Barton,	Johnson of Henry,	Porter,
Boykin of Scriven,	Jones of Lowndes,	Powell,
Brantley,	Jones of Warren,	Reid,
Browning,	King of Fayette,	Rozier,
Burnett,	Kirkpatrick,	Solomon,
Butts,	Lawton,	Smith of Bryan,
Carlton,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Clinch,
Causey,	Lewis of Hancock,	Tatom,
Cooper,	Matthews,	Tharpe,
Cottle,	McCants,	Thornton,
Davis of Bibb,	McLelan,	Ward,
Faulk,	Milledge,	Wiggins,
Graves,	Mobley,	Wimberley,
Harris of Meriwether,	Montgomery,	Wynn.
Henderson,	Moore,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Hale,	Parks,
Avery,	Harrison,	Peterson,
Battle,	Haynie,	Phinizy,
Bird,	Headen,	Pickett,
Boyd,	Hilliard,	Pruitt,
Boykin of Troup,	Hoyle,	Richards,
Brown of Camden,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Roberts,
Brown of Talbot,	Hudson of Harris,	Rumph,
Caldwell of Walker,	Hughes,	Sharinan,
Cannon,	Johnson of Carroll,	Simmons,
Cobb,	Johnson of Elbert,	Sinquefield,
Cornwell,	Jones of Muscogee,	Slocumb,
Crook,	Julian,	Smith of Hancock,
Cunningham,	Kilgore,	Smith of Tattnall,
Davis of Polk,	King of McIntosh,	Spinks,
Dawson,	Kitchens,	Stamper,
Dorminy,	Lane,	Stephens,
Dozier,	Luke,	Swearingen,
Durden,	Maynor,	Thompson,
Edenfield,	McClary,	Wood,
Felton,	McConnel of Catoosa,	Warthen,
Fields,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Watts,
Gordon,	Murphy,	Whitworth,
Graham,	Myers,	Williams,
Griffith,	Owen,	

So the bill was lost.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit:

A bill authorizing the issuing of attachments and garnishments, and to regulate proceedings in relation to the same and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to organize a new Judicial Circuit from the counties of Clinch, Ware, Coffee, Appling, Wayne, Camden, Glynn, and Charlton, and to provide for the election of a Judge and Solicitor General for the same.

Also, a bill to organize a new Judicial Circuit from the counties of Early, Clay, Chattahoochee, Randolph, Stewart and Kinchafosse, to be called the Pataula Circuit and to provide for the election of Judge and Solicitor General for the same.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to lay out a new county out of the counties of Polk and Carroll, and to organize the same.

Also, a joint resolution relative to the death of the late Hon. John Macpherson Berrien.

The hour of half past one having arrived, the House adjourned until half past three o'clock, P. M.

HALF PAST THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Cass, the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Etowah Manufacturing and Mining Company, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Internal Improvement.

Mr. Whitworth presented the petition of James R. Bracewell Sheriff of Gwinnett county, which on his motion, was without being read, referred to the Committee on Petitions.

The following bills were reported and read the first time, viz:

Mr. Thornton reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Kooekogy in the county of Talbot, to appoint Commissioners for the same and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Richards offered a bill to be entitled an act to appoint Trustees for the Carrollton Male and Female Academies, and for other purposes.

Mr. Hudson of Harris reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of James O. Hunt.

Mr. Gordon reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Pine Mountain Mining Company.

Mr. Hudson of Gwinnett reported a bill to be entitled an act to appoint an additional number of Trustees for the Washington Academy in the county of Gwinnett.

Mr. McConnell of Gordon reported a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to compensate Washington Lawson for building a depot for the Western and Atlantic Railroad at Calhoun in Gordon county, and to provide for the payment of the same.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Archer Griffith of Oglethorpe county.

Mr. Jones of Warren reported a bill to be entitled an act to establish an election precinct in the county of Warren.

Mr. Terhune reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Rome Foundry and Machine Company.

Mr. Milledge reported a bill to be entitled an act to grant to William Schley and Robert Schley of the county of Richmond, the right to open and construct a railroad, plank road or other road, from their saw mill on Spirit creek, in said county, to any point on the Augusta South-western Plank Road, between the 11th and 13th mile posts on said Plank Road from the city of Augusta, for the transportation of timber, lumber and wood.

Mr. Reid offered a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Eatonton and Madison Railroad Company and to confer certain powers and privileges therein mentioned.

Mr. Myers reported a bill to be entitled an act to alter and change the line between the counties of Hart and Elbert.

Mr. Kirkpatrick reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Henry and Spalding and include the residence of A. W. Walker in the county of Spalding.

Mr. Pickett reported a bill to be entitled an act to prevent the felling in of timber or otherwise obstructing Mountain Town creek so as to cause drift, &c.

Mr. Wood reported a bill to be entitled an act to prevent the throwing of timber or dead stock into Holly creek in Murray county.

The following House bills were read the second time and committed for the third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the delivery of certain papers under certain circumstances ;

And a bill to be entitled an act to authorize parties complainant, either in Law or Equity, to perfect service of writs against corporations under certain circumstances therein named.

The following bills of the Senate were read the first time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to create Pataula Circuit.

A bill to be entitled an act to create a new Judicial Circuit of Clinch, Ware, &c., and to provide for the appointment and election of Judge and Solicitor for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the issuing of attachments and garnishments and to regulate proceedings in relation to the same, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and ordered to be committed for the third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Macon Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, and to confer certain privileges and exemptions.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Mount Vernon Methodist Camp Ground in Whitfield county, and the Waresboro' Camp Ground in the county of Ware, and to appoint Trustees for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Macedonia Academy in the county, of Coweta and to appoint trustees for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize and require the Poor School Commissioners of the county of Warren to pay Ezra McCrary out of the Poor School Fund of said county, the amount paid by him as Justice of the Peace out of his

individual funds for teaching poor children in said county in the years 1837 and 1838.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinaries of Whitfield, Lincoln and Fulton counties to pay arrearages due the teachers of poor children for certain years therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to make valid certain surveys, warrants and grants, and to authorize certain grants to be issued.

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit the payment of storage on cotton in the city of Columbus by farmers after selling from their wagons.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Wm. J. P. Phinizie of the county of Monroe, a minor in the 20th year of his age.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the mode apportioning the poor school fund of Baker county with the counties of Dougherty and Calhoun.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Warren county, to levy an additional tax on the State tax sufficient to defray the annual expenses of the county and one-third of the present indebtedness of said county.

A bill to be entitled an act limiting the time in which suits in the Courts of Law in this State must be brought, and also limiting the time in which indictments are to be found and prosecuted in certain cases, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize and require the Ordinary of Jackson county to pay to D. M. Burns, jr., of said county, his account for teaching certain poor children of said county in the year 1850.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal all laws consolidating the offices of Receiver of Tax Returns and Tax Collector in the county of Irwin.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize and require the Treasurer of the Glynn county Academy to pay over certain monies now in his hands.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the estate of Joseph White, late of the county of Stewart, deceased.

A bill to be entitled an act in relation to allowing Tax Collectors an insolvent list by the Grand Juries of the several counties of this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate and confer certain privileges and powers on the Sandersville Hotel Company, the Pioneer Hook and Ladder Company, and the Church Asylum of Augusta.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend this first section of the third article of the Constitution of the State.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize John W. Grant-

ham, an infirm citizen of Cobb county, to peddle and vend goods, wares and merchandize in the counties of Cobb, Cherokee and Paulding, without a license for that purpose, as now required by law.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the Southern Mutual Insurance Company,

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Judge of the Superior Court of the county of Whitfield to draw two panels of grand and petit jurors for said county.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of teachers of poor children of the several counties of this State for the years 1853. '54 and '55.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Athens Gas Light Company.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Elberton Male Academy in the town of Elberton, and County Line Academy in the county of Marion, and to appoint Trustees for the same ;

And a bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act to appropriate a sum of money to remove obstructions from the Big and Little Ohoopsee rivers and to render the same navigable for the transportation of timber, rafts, lumber, wood and produce thereon, and for other purposes herein mentioned, approved February 4th, 1854.

Mr. Rumph offered a resolution relative to the hours of meeting and adjournment after Monday night next.

Mr. Smith of Tattnall, also offered a resolution on this subject.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the bill of the House of Representatives to amend the act incorporating the Georgia Military Institute and to appropriate money therefor, with amendments in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has also appointed a committee consisting of Messrs. Cone of Greene, Dabney and Wingfield, to join such committee as may be appointed on the part of the House of Representatives, to confer in relation to the disagreements of the two Houses to the General Appropriation bill.

On motion, Messrs. Terhune, Milledge, Phillips, Harris of Meriwether and Irvin, were appointed to confer with the Senate committee in regard to the amendments to the General Appropriation bill which the House refused to concur in.

The hour of 5 o'clock having arrived, the House adjourned until 10 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 26th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Crook moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the rejection of the bill to be entitled an act to endow the Southern Botanical Medical College in the city of Macon. The yeas and nays were required to be recorded on this proposition, and are yeas 72, nays 38.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Hilliard,	Pafford,
Amiss,	Hoyle,	Parks,
Avery,	Hudson of Harris,	Paris,
Barrett,	Hughes,	Peterson,
Barton,	Irvin,	Phillips,
Boyd,	Johnson of Carroll,	Pruitt,
Boykin of Troup,	Johnson of Cass,	Reid,
Brantley,	Jones of Lowndes,	Rumph,
Browning,	Jones of Muscogee,	Sapp,
Burnett,	Jones of Warren,	Simmons,
Butts,	King of Fayette,	Solomon,
Caldwell of Walker,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Bryan,
Calloway,	Lane,	Smith of Clinch,
Carlton,	Lawton,	Smith of Union,
Causey,	Lewis of Greene,	Stamper,
Cooper,	Lewis of Hancock,	Swearingen,
Cottle,	Matthews,	Tatom,
Crook,	McCants,	Terhune,
Davis of Polk,	McClary,	Thompson,
Faulk,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Thornton,
Felton,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Wood,
Harris of Meriwet'r,	Milledge,	Ward,
Haynie,	Moore,	Warthen,
Henderson,	Murphey,	Wynn.

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Beall,	Gordon,	Montgomery,
Bird,	Graham,	Myers,
Brown of Burke,	Griffith,	Owen,
Brown of Camden,	Hale,	Pickett,
Brown of Talbot,	Harrison,	Richards,
Cannon,	Headen,	Roberts,
Cornwell,	Hudson of Gwin'tt.	Slocumb,
Cunningham,	Johnson of Elbert,	Smith of Tattnall,
Dawson,	Julian,	Spinks,
Dorminy,	King of McIntosh,	Stephens,
Dozier,	Kitchens,	Walton,
Edenfield,	Luke,	Watts.
Fields,	Maynor,	Whitworth,

So the motion prevailed.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Cottle and Battle, for a few days on account of special business.

The Committee on New Counties report adverse to the passage of the following bills, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county of the county of Carroll and portions of the counties
 • Campbell and Paulding.

A bill to be entitled an act to lay off and organize a new county from the counties of Floyd and Polk and for other purposes.

And a bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county out of the counties of Campbell and Carroll and for other purposes.

The same Committee report favorably to the passage of the bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county to be called county, out of the counties of Lowndes, Irwin and Coffee, and to attach the same to the Southern Circuit, &c.

The Committee on Education to whom was referred the petition of the Trustees of the Cherokee Baptist College, have had the same under consideration and although they sincerely sympathize with them in their misfortune, and as private individuals would freely aid them in their laudable enterprise, they do not feel authorized under the circumstances to advise Legislative action on the subject.

The same Committee recommend that the clause asking an appropriation be stricken from the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Indian Springs Male and Female Academies, appoint Trustees therefor, and to appropriate three thousand dollars to erect Academic Buildings, and that the same as amended pass.

The Judiciary Committee report a bill to be entitled an act to allow any joint tenants, tenants in common, or other person having a part interest in lands or tenements, to maintain a separate action of ejectment or trespass and for other purposes, as a substitute for the bill to entitled an act to establish the right of any person or persons, and of Administrators, Executors and Guardians claiming an undivided interest in land, to maintain a separate action of ejectment for the same.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker :—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit :

A bill to authorize Dr. J. J. M. Goss to practice medicine on the eclectic system as taught in Cincinnati, Ohio.

A bill to incorporate Pierce Female College and for other purposes.

A bill to compensate the petit jurors of Marion county.

A bill to compensate the grand and petit jurors of Jefferson county.

A bill for the relief of Rachael Black.

A bill to repeal so much of an act to lay out a new county from the counties of Gilmer and Union, assented to January 21st, 1854, as relates to the county of Murray.

A bill for the relief of teachers of poor children of Decatur county.

A bill for the relief of Henry A. Clemons.

A bill to make penal the obstruction of any of the public roads of Troup county by persons engaged in horse-racing.

A bill to incorporate Cotton Hill Male and Female Seminary in Cotton Hill, Clay county.

A bill to amend the several acts in relation to the town of Athens.

A bill to exempt certain property in the city of Savannah from taxation.

A bill in relation to the poor school fund of certain counties therein named.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the sale of free persons of color, &c. A substitute for the same was offered by Mr. Phillips, which is a bill to be entitled an act to provide for the removal of free persons of color from this State. Mr. Jones of Muscogee moved to lay the original bill and the substitute offered on the table for the balance of the Session. The yeas and nays were required to be recorded on this motion, and are yeas 65, nays 54.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Haynie,	Paris,
Avery,	Henderson,	Peterson,
Barrett,	Hilliard,	Plunizy,
Beall,	Hudson of Gwin'tt	Pickett,
Bird,	Hughes,	Porter,
Boykin of Scriven	Johnson of Elbert,	Powell,
Brown of Camden,	Jones of Muscogee,	Reid,
Browning,	Jones of Warren,	Sapp,
Burnett,	King of McIntosh,	Simmons,
Butts,	Lane,	Sinquefield,
Calloway,	Lawton,	Solomon,
Cobb,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Clinch,
Cornwell,	Luke,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cottle,	Maynor,	Stamper.
Dawson,	McClary,	Stephens,
Dorminy,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Swearingen,
Edenfield,	Milledge,	Tatom,
Faulk,	Mobley,	Thornton,
Felton,	Montgomery,	Walton.
Graves,	Moore,	Whitworth.
Griffith,	Owen,	Wynn,
Harrison,	Pafford,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Barton,	Boyd,
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Boykin of Troup,	Harris of Meriwether,	Parks,
Brantley,	Headen,	Phillips,
Brown of Talbot,	Hill,	Pruitt,
Caldwell of Walker,	Hoyle,	Richards,
Cannon,	Hudson of Harris,	Roberts,
Causey,	Irvin,	Rumph,
Cooper,	Johnson of Carroll,	Sharman,
Crook,	Johnson of Cass,	Slocumb,
Cunningham,	Jones of Lowndes,	Smith of Bryan,
Davis of Bibb,	Jordan,	Smith of Hancock,
Davis of Polk,	King of Fayette,	Spinks,
Dozier,	Kirkpatrick,	Tharpe,
Fields,	Lewis of Hancock,	Thompson,
Gordon,	Matthews,	Wood,
Graham,	McCants,	Ward,
Hale,	M'Connell of Gordon,	Warthen,
Harris of Fulton,	Murphy,	Watts,

So the motion was sustained.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Ward in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to endow the Atlanta Medical College and the Savannah Medical College at Savannah, Georgia. After sometime spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 46, nays 70.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Henderson,	Mobley,
Barton,	Hoyle,	Pafford,
Brantley,	Irvin,	Paris,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Cass,	Phillips,
Burnett,	Jones of Lowndes,	Porter,
Butts,	Jones of Warren,	Powell,
Calloway,	Kirkpatrick,	Reid,
Carlton,	Lawton,	Sapp,
Causey,	Lewis of Greene,	Solomon,
Cottle,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Clinch,
Davis of Bibb,	Matthews,	Smith of Hancock,
Davis of Polk,	McCants,	Tatom,
Felton,	McClary,	Thornton,
Graves,	M'Connell of Catoosa,	Ward,
Harris of Fulton,	Milledge,	Watts,
Harris of Meriwether,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Bird,	Brown of Burke,
Avery,	Boyd,	Brown of Camden,
Barrett,	Boykin of Scriven,	Browning,
Beall,	Boykin of Troup,	Caldwell of Walker

Cannon,	Hudson of Harris,	Richards,
Cobb,	Hughes,	Roberts,
Cooper,	Johnson of Carroll,	Rumph,
Cornwell,	Johnson of Elbert,	Sharman.
Crook,	Jones of Muscogee,	Simmons,
Cunningham	Julian,	Slocumb,
Dawson,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Bryan,
Dorminy,	Lane,	Smith of Tattall,
Dozier,	Luke,	Smith of Union,
Edenfield,	Maynor,	Spinks,
Faulk,	McConnel of Gord'n	Stamper,
Fields,	Montgomery,	Stephens,
Gordon,	Murphy,	Swearingen,
Graham,	Myers,	Terhune,
Griffith,	Owen,	Tharpe,
Hale,	Parks,	Thompson,
Harrison,	Peterson,	Wood,
Haynie,	Phinzy,	Warthen,
Headen,	Pickett,	Whitworth,
Hilliard,	Pruitt,	Wynn,
Hudson of Gwinnett		

So the bill was lost.

Mr. Milledge reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Sarah H. Lamar, which was read the first time.

On motion of Mr. Lewis of Hancock, the House adjourned until 10 o'clock, Monday morning.

MONDAY, JANUARY 28th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Irvin of Wilkes moved to reconsider so much of the Journal of Saturday as relates to the indefinite postponement of the bill to be entitled an act to provide for the sale of free persons of color in this State, and the substitute therefor. Upon this proposition the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 75, nays 42.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Burnett,	Fields,
Amiss,	Caldwell of Walker,	Graham,
Barrett,	Cannon,	Griffith,
Barron,	Causey,	Hale,
Barton,	Cobb,	Harrell,
Bartlett,	Cooper,	Harris of Fulton,
Bird,	Crook,	Headen,
Boyd,	Cunningham,	Henderson,
Brown of Burke,	Davis of Polk,	Hill,
Brown of Talbot,	Dozier,	Hilliard,

Hoyle,	Montgomery	Slocumb,
Hudson of Harris,	Murphy,	Smith of Bryan,
Hughes,	Myers,	Smith of Clinch,
Irvin,	Owen,	Smith of Union,
Johnson of Carroll,	Pafford,	Spinks,
Johnson of Elbert,	Parks,	Terhune,
Jones of Lowudes,	Paris,	Tharpe,
Julian,	Phillips,	Thompson,
King of Fayette,	Porter,	Wood,
Kirkpatrick,	Pruitt,	Ward,
Lewis of Hancock,	Richards,	Warthen,
Matthews,	Roberts,	Watts,
McConnel of Gord'n	Rumph,	Whitworth,
McLelan,	Sharman,	Wiggins,
Mobley,	Sinquefield,	Wynn.

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Harrison,	Peterson,
Beall,	Haynie,	Phinizy,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Pickett,
Boykin of Troup,	Jones of Muscogee,	Powell,
Brown of Camden,	Jones of Warren,	Sapp,
Browning,	King of McIntosh,	Solomon,
Calloway,	Lane,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cornwell,	Lawton,	Stamper,
Cottle,	Lewis of Greene,	Swearingen,
Dorminy,	Maynor,	Tatom,
Durden,	McClary,	Taylor,
Edenfield,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Thornton,
Felton,	Milledge,	Walton,
Harris of Meriwe'r,	Moore,	Wimberly,

So the motion to reconsider prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Irvin, the bills relating to this subject were all referred to a special committee, consisting of Messrs. Irvin, Jones of Muscogee, Phillips, Dawson and Crook.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to provide for the education of the youth of Georgia in the rudiments of an English Education. Mr. Irvin moved the indefinite postponement of the same. Upon which motion the previous question was called and seconded. The main question, which was the proposition to postpone indefinitely, was put. The yeas and nays thereon were required to be recorded, and are yeas 56, nays 61.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Beall,	Brown of Burke,
Avery,	Bird,	Brown of Camden,
Barrett,	Boykin of Scriven,	Brown of Talbot,
Barron,	Boykin of Troup,	Browning,

Calloway,	Haynie,	Parks,
Carlton,	Hill,	Peterson,
Causey,	Hoyle,	Pickett,
Cobb,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Porter,
Cooper,	Irvin,	Pruitt,
Cunningham,	Johnson of Elbert,	Sharman,
Davis of Bibb,	Jones of Warren,	Simmons,
Dorminy,	Julian,	Sinquefield,
Dozier,	King of McIntosh,	Slocumb,
Durden,	Matthews,	Solomon,
Edenfield,	Maynor,	Stephens,
Fields,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Swearingen,
Graham,	Montgomery,	Ward,
Griffith,	Myers,	Warthen,
Harrell,	Owen,	Whitworth,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barton,	Hughes,	Richards,
Bartlett,	Johnson of Carroll,	Roberts,
Boyd,	Jones of Lowndes,	Rumph,
Brantley,	Jones of Muscogee,	Sapp,
Burnett,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Bryan,
Caldwell of Walker	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Clinch,
Cannon,	Lane,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cornwell,	Lawton,	Smith of Union,
Cottle,	Lewis of Greene,	Spinks,
Crook,	Lewis of Hancock,	Stamper,
Davis of Polk,	McCants,	Tatom,
Dawson,	McClary,	Taylor,
Felton,	McLenan,	Terhune,
Gordon,	Mobley,	Thompson,
Graves,	Moore,	Thornton,
Hale,	Murphey,	Wood,
Harris of Meriwe'r	Pafford,	Walton,
Headen,	Paris,	Watts,
Henderson,	Phinizy,	Wiggins,
Hilliard,	Powell,	Wimberly.
Hudson of Harris		

So the motion was lost.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit:

A bill to organize the Court of Common Pleas for the city of Augusta, to change the name thereof, to give it criminal jurisdiction in certain cases, to organize a Recorder's Court in said city, to authorize the City Council thereof to subscribe for stock in certain railroad companies, to provide for the registration of the voters of said city, and for other purposes.

A bill to organize a Court in the city of Columbus.

A bill to change the time of holding the Superior Court in the county of Meriwether.

A bill to give to Justices of the Inferior Court criminal jurisdiction in certain cases.

A bill to repeal an act approved 22d January, 1852, entitled an act to repeal the 1st section of an act approved 19th December, 1849, entitled an act to repeal all laws respecting the importation of slaves into this State, and to give certain power to municipal corporations in relation to slaves, and to amend the act hereby revived and to revive said first section so repealed.

The following message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following resolution which I am directed to communicate forthwith to the House of Representatives :

Resolved, That the President appoint a committee of three to confer with a like committee on the part of the House, to ascertain and report at what time the General Assembly will be prepared to adjourn sine die, and have appointed on their part Messrs. Pope, Hardeman and Dunagan.

The bill under consideration was then taken up by sections, and after various amendments were made, Mr. Styles offered as a substitute for the bill as amended, a bill to be entitled an act to establish a Commissioner of Public Schools in this State and to provide for the appointment of the same. Before the adoption of the same, the hour of half past one arrived and the House adjourned until half past three o'clock, P. M.

HALF PAST THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Luke and Kilgore for a few days on account of illness, and to Mr. Faulk on account of important public business.

Mr. Smith of Bryan offered the following resolution which on his motion, was taken up, read and agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor be authorized to transmit with the Acts and Journals of the present Legislature to the county of Bryan, two copies each of Cobb's Digest, two copies of Cobb's Analysis and Forms, all for the use of the 1147 District, G. M., a new District in said county.

The following bills were reported and read the first time, viz :

Mr. Davis of Bibb reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Macon Savings Bank.

Mr. Lawton reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Fighting Town Mining Company ;

And a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to remove the knoll in Savannah river and for other purposes.

Mr. Johnson of Cass reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend the 35th section of the 15th division of the Penal Code.

Mr. Fields offered a bill to be entitled an act to change the times of holding the Superior Courts of certain counties therein mentioned and for other purposes therein specified.

Mr. Johnson of Carroll reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Carrollton in Carroll county, approved 1829, and for other purposes.

Mr. Crook reported a bill to be entitled an act to compensate John Taylor of the county of Chattooga, for furnishing his Excellency with a copy of the census for 1852.

Mr. Fields reported a bill to be entitled an act to repeal so much of the law in relation to change bills as makes it the duty of the Judges of the Superior Courts to give the act passed 10th December, 1841, in special charge to the Grand Juries.

Mr. McConnell of Catoosa reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize James McCauley to erect and keep up a mill dam across the Chicamauga creek.

Mr. Dozier reported a bill to be entitled an act to extend certain privileges to James E. Smith of the county of Clay, and for other purposes.

Mr. Pickett offered the following resolution which on his motion, was taken up, read and agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That the Governor be requested to send three copies of Cobb's Analysis and three copies of Cobb's new Digest for the benefit of the three new districts last created in the county of Gilmer.

Mr. Paris reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Trenton Female Academy, to appoint Trustees therefor and for other purposes.

Mr. Barrett reported a bill to be entitled an act to provide for educational purposes.

Mr. Hoyle reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary of the county of DeKalb to pay Winston H. Cash the sum of thirty-one dollars, for teaching poor children of said county.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Stony Po Mining Company of Georgia ;

And a bill to be entitled an act to alter, change and amend an act to incorporate the town of Decatur in the county of DeKalb, assented to December 10th, 1823.

Mr. Porter offered a bill to be entitled an act to provide for the election of Trustees for the Springfield Academy of Effingham county, and for other purposes.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock reported a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for the purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Barrett offered a bill to be entitled an act to change the line between Cass and Gordon; also between Gordon and Murray.

Mr. Ward reported a bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act to change the laws in relation to interest, approved 17th December, 1845, to enable persons to recover lawful interest in usurious contracts, &c.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee reported a bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act to divide and lay off this State into Congressional Districts and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John B. Griffin;

And a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Chattahoochee Iron Works.

Mr. Hale reported a bill to be entitled an act to alter and change the time of holding the Inferior Courts of the county of Henry.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock reported a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to the Southern Agricultural Society.

Mr. Lane reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize Levi Hollinsworth of Heard county, to construct a mill-dam across Chattahoochee river in said county.

Mr. Tatom reported a bill to be entitled an act to compensate the petit jurors of the county of Lincoln.

Mr. King of McIntosh reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of Enon church of McIntosh county.

Mr. Davis of Polk reported a bill to be entitled an act to add certain lots of land herein named in the county of Floyd to the county of Polk.

Mr. Barton reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Pierce's Chapel.

Mr. Cannon offered a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to William A. Taylor of Rabun county.

Mr. Durden reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor to draw his warrant on the Treasury for the relief of Copeland Harris & Co.

Mr. Thornton offered a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Augustus C. Jones;

And a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Mount Hope Academy in Muscogee county, near Flat Rock Camp Ground, and to appoint Trustees for the same.

Mr. Graves reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Frances Murray, lately wife of James Murray.

Mr. Sapp reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Dalton Brass Band of the town of Dalton.

Mr. Irvin reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend the Charter of the Presbyterian Church and Washington Female Seminary, granted by act of December 19th, 1827, and amended by an act of December 31st 1838, and for other purposes.

Mr. Hill of Troup reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Heard and Troup.

Mr. Stamper reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Mary Elizabeth Hane.

Mr. McLenan offered a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of the county of Telfair, to open a poll at the Court-house and the several precincts in said county on the question of removal of the county site, and for carrying out the will of the majority.

Mr. Smith of Union offered the following resolution which on his motion, was taken up, read and agreed to, viz:

Whereas, it is impossible for the Door Keeper of this House to keep the door of the same closed in its present condition—Therefore

Be it Resolved by the House of Representatives, That said officer be authorized and required without delay, to have the front door of this Hall arranged so as to be self-closing.

Mr. Phillips offered the following resolution which on his motion, was taken up, read and lost:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Georgia in General Assembly met, That the Superintendent of the Western and Atlantic Railroad be and he is hereby authorized to receive from the McMinnville and Manchester Railroad Company and the Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company, the bonds bearing interest from date of each of said Companies for the freight charges for transporting their railroad iron, chairs and spikes over the said Western and Atlantic Railroad.

The same was amended at the suggestion of Mr. Thornton by adding—Provided said bonds mature within ten years from date.

The House then adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY. JANUARY 29th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Phillips moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the refusal of the House to agree to the resolution authorizing the Superintendent of the Western and Atlantic Railroad to take the bonds of certain Rail-

road Companies in the State of Tennessee payable in ten years, for freight charges in the transportation of Railroad iron, chairs and spikes over the Western and Atlantic Railroad. Upon this proposition, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 52, nays 63.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Graves,	Pickett,
Avery,	Harris of Fulton,	Porter,
Barton,	Harris of Meriw'r,	Powell,
Bartlett,	Hilliard,	Richards,
Bird,	Hoyle,	Sapp,
Brantley,	Hudson of Harris,	Sinquefield,
Brown of Burke,	Johnson of Carroll,	Smith of Bryan,
Brown of Camden,	Jones of Muscogee,	Smith of Clinch,
Browning,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Hancock,
Burnett,	Lawton,	Smith of Union,
Calloway,	Lewis of Hancock,	Terhune,
Cannon,	McLennan,	Thompson,
Cobb,	Milledge,	Thornton,
Cottle,	Pafford,	Wood,
Cunningham,	Paris,	Warthen,
Dawson,	Peterson,	Wiggins,
Dozier,	Phillips,	Williams,
Gordon,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Haynie,	Parks,
Barrett,	Headen,	Pruitt,
Beall,	Henderson,	Reid,
Boyd,	Hill,	Roberts,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Rumph,
Boykin of Troup,	Hughes,	Sharman,
Brown of Talbot,	Irvin,	Simmous,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Cass,	Slocumb,
Cooper,	Jones of Warren,	Solomon,
Cornwell,	Julian,	Smith of Tattnall,
Crook,	King of Fayette,	Spinks,
Davis of Bibb,	Lewis of Greene,	Stamper,
Davis of Polk,	Matthews,	Stephens,
Dorminy,	Maynor,	Swearingen,
Durden,	McConnel of Catoosa,	Tatom,
Edenfield,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Taylor,
Felton,	Mobley,	Walton,
Fields,	Montgomery,	Ward,
Graham,	Murphy,	Whitworth,
Griffith,	Myers,	Wimberly,
Hale,	Owen,	Wynn.

So the motion to reconsider was lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to provide for the education of the

youth of Georgia in the rudiments of an English education, and the substitute offered by Mr. Stiles, which is a bill to be entitled an act to create and establish a Commissioner of public schools, to define the duties and provide for the appointment of the same. The substitute was adopted. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 38, nays 79.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Boykin of Scriven,	Johnson of Carroll,	Sapp,
Brantley,	Johnson of Cass,	Slocumb,
Browning,	Jones of Lowndes,	Smith of Bryan,
Davis of Bibb,	Jones of Muscogee,	Smith of Clinch,
Dawson,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Hancock,
Felton,	Lawton,	Tatom,
Harris of Fulton,	Lewis of Hancock,	Thornton,
Harris of Meriwet'r,	Matthews,	Wood,
Henderson,	Milledge,	Ward,
Hill,	Pafford,	Warthen,
Hilliard,	Phillips,	Watts,
Hoyle,	Powell,	Williams,
Hughes,	Richards,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Fields,	Owen,
Amiss,	Gordon,	Parks,
Avery,	Graham,	Paris,
Barrett,	Griffith,	Peterson,
Barton,]	Hale,	Phinizy,
Bartlett,	Harrison,	Pickett,
Beall,	Haynie,	Porter,
Bird,	Headen,	Pruitt,
Boyd,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Reid,
Boykin of Troup,	Hudson of Harris,	Roberts,
Brown of Burke,	Irvin,	Rumph,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Elbert,	Sharman,
Brown of Talbot,	Jones of Warren,	Simmons,
Caldwell of Walker,	King of Fayette,	Sinquefield,
Calloway,	Kirkpatrick,	Solomon,
Cannon,	Lane,	Smith of Tattnall,
Causey,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Union,
Cooper,	Maynor,	Spinks,
Cornwell,	McCants,	Stephens,
Cottle,	McClary,	Swearingen,
Crook,	M Connel of Catoosa,	Terhune,
Cunningham,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Thompson,
Davis of Polk,	McLenan,	Whitworth,
Dorminy,	Mobley,	Wiggins,
Dozier,	Montgomery,	Wimberley,
Durden,	Myers,	Wynn.
Edenfield,		

So the bill was lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county of the county of Carroll and portions of the counties of Campbell and Paulding, and to organize the same.

Mr. Watts moved to lay the same on the table for the balance of the Session. Upon this proposition the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 82, nays 29.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Griffith,	Owen,
Amiss,	Hale,	Peterson,
Avery,	Harrell,	Phinizy,
Barron,	Harris of Fulton,	Reid,
Barton,	Harrison,	Rumph,
Bartlett,	Headen,	Sapp,
Beall,	Henderson,	Sharman,
Bird,	Hill,	Simmons,
Boyd,	Hilliard,	Sinquefield,
Boykin of Troup,	Hoyle,	Solomon,
Brown of Burke,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Smith of Bryan
Brown of Camden,	Hudson of Harris,	Smith of Hancock,
Brown of Talbot,	Hughes,	Smith of Tattal,
Butts,	Irvin,	Stephens,
Cannon,	Jones of Muscogee,	Swearingen,
Carlton,	Julian,	Tatom,
Causey,	King of Fayette,	Tharpe,
Cobb,	King of McIntosh,	Thompson,
Cooper,	Kirkpatrick,	Thornton,
Cornwell,	Lawton,	Wood,
Cottle,	Lewis of Greene,	Ward,
Cunningham,	Lewis of Hancock,	Watts,
Davis of Bibb,	Maynor,	Whitworth,
Dawson,	McCants,	Wiggins,
Dorminy,	Mobley,	Williams,
Durden,	Montgomery,	Wimberly,
Edenfield,	Myers,	Wynn,
Fields,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Brantley,	Jones of Warren,	Phillips,
Burnett,	Lane,	Porter,
Calloway,	Matthews,	Powell,
Crook,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Pruitt,
Davis of Polk,	M'Connel of Gordon	Richards,
Dozier,	Milledge,	Roberts,
Harris of Meriwe'r,	Murphy,	Slocumb,
Haynie,	Pafford,	Smith of Clinch
Johnson of Carroll,	Parks,	Terhune,
Johnson of Cass,	Paris,	

So the motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Thornton, the joint resolution was concurred in, from the Senate, appointing a committee, and requesting the appointment of a like committee on the part of the House, to ascertain and report the day upon which the present General Assembly will be able to adjourn sine die.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize Charles S. Arnold to marry again, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Jones, the same was ordered to be transmitted to the Senate without delay.

Mr. Hoyle offered the following resolution, which was on motion, taken up, read and adopted to, viz :

Resolved, That one thousand copies of the address delivered by the Hon. Wm. H. Styles on the subject of education, and the accompanying bill, be printed and equally divided among the members of the House for their use and distribution.

On motion of Mr. Crook, a bill to be entitled an act to lend the aid of the State of Georgia to the Brunswick and Florida Railroad Company, and to the Savannah, Albany and Gulf Railroad Company, upon certain conditions therein named, was made the special order for to-morrow.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act for the relief of the estate of Joseph White, late of the county of Stewart, deceased. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Caleb J. Moucrief and Young J. Browning, citizens of the county of Meriwether. The following amendment was offered by Mr. Brantley and received, viz :

Provided that the said securities pay all cost that has accrued in prosecuting said bond to judgment—also, upon the payment of the fees of the Solicitor General of the Coweta Circuit, for forfeiting the recognizance.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquinn, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit :

A bill to incorporate the Lagrange and Oxford Railroad Company.

A bill to incorporate the Bank of Athens.

A bill to alter and amend the 19th section of the first article of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, by a constitutional majority.

A bill to require Ordinaries in this State to keep a book

in which they shall record all letters testamentary, letters of administration, and letters of guardianship, and for other purposes.

A bill to extend the provisions of the 4th section of an act for the prevention of frauds and perjuries, enacted 29th Charles II. as to make the same applicable to slaves.

The House took up the Senate amendments to the bill of the House to be entitled an act to amend an act incorporating the Georgia Military Institute, and to appropriate money therefor.

Upon the motion to concur in the same, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 74, nays 44.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs :

Amiss,	Harris of Meriwe'rPafford,	
Barrett,	Harrison,	Peterson,
Barron,	Haynie,	Phillips,
Barton,	Hill,	Porter,
Boyd,	Hilliard,	Powell,
Boykin of Troup,	Hoyle,	Reid,
Brautley,	Hughes,	Rumph,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Cass,	Sapp,
Browning,	Jones of Lowndes,	Sinquefield,
Burnett,	Jones of Warren,	Solomon,
Butts,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Bryan,
Caldwell of Walker,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Clinch,
Calloway,	Lane,	Smith of Hancock,
Carlton,	Lawton,	Smith of Tattnall,
Causey,	Lewis of Greene,	Tatom,
Cobb,	Lewis of Hancock,	Tharpe,
Cottle,	Matthews,	Thompson,
Davis of Bibb,	McCants,	Wood,
Dawson,	McClary,	Walton,
Durden.	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Ward,
Fields,	McLenan,	Warthen,
Gordon,	Milledge,	Wiggins,
Graves,	Mobley,	Williams,
Harrell,	Montgomery,	Wynn.
Harris of Fulton,	Owen,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs :

Anderson,	Dozier,	Johnson of Elbert,
Bird,	Edentfield,	Jones of Muscogee,
Brown of Camden,	Graham,	Julian,
Cannon,	Griffith,	Maynor,
Cooper,	Hale,	M'Connel of Gord'n,
Cornwell,	Headen,	Murphy,
Crook,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Myers,
Cunningham,	Hudson of Harris,	Parks,
Davis of Polk,	Irvin,	Paris,
Dorminy,	Johnson of Carroll,	Phinizy,

Pickett,	Simmons,	Taylor,
Pruitt,	Spinks,	Terhune,
Richards,	Stamper,	Thornton.
Roberts,	Stephens,	Whitworth,
Sharman,	Swearingen,	

So the amendments were concurred in.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act requiring the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Wayne to tax all pedlars and itinerant traders in the sum of two hundred dollars, vending wares and merchandize in the county of Wayne, and to prevent more than one person peddling under the same license. The same on motion of Mr. Rumph, was indefinitely postponed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to compel parties defendants to pay extra cost in certain cases. The report of the Judiciary Committee, which was adverse to the passage of the same, was agreed to, and the bill was therefore lost.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Lewis of Greene in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Indian Springs Male and Female Academy, appoint Trustees therefor, and appropriate three thousand dollars to erect Academic buildings. The amendment of the Committee on Education was received, to-wit, strike out the clause asking an appropriation. The committee then arose, and through their Chairman reported the bill back to the House as amended. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Thomas and Lowndes, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The Committee of the House, appointed by virtue of a resolution of the General Assembly, relative to the time of adjournment sine die, consists of Messrs. Thornton, Irvin and Lawton.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county, to be called Berrien, out of the counties of Lowndes, Irvin and Coffee, and to attach the same to the Southern Circuit. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to add an additional section to the fourteenth division of the Penal Code of the State of Georgia. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House adjourned until 3½ o'clock P. M.

HALF PAST THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The following bills were reported and read the first time, viz :

Mr. Caldwell of Walker reported a bill to be entitled an act to change and locate the Northeastern Terminus of the Western and Atlantic Railroad, and for other purposes therein specified.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Muscogee county to sell the jail of said county, and for other purposes ;

And a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Superintendent of the Western and Atlantic Railroad to refund money in certain cases therein mentioned.

The special Committee to whom was referred the petition of John Huie, ask leave to make the following report :

The claim of the petitioner is founded upon three cases sued by the Central Bank of Georgia against the said John Huie, as endorser on three several notes. Judgments were obtained and executions issued against him. The notes were afterwards paid by the makers thereof about the years 1845 and 1846. In 1850 the said Central Bank collected the money again on the same notes from the said John Huie, the endorser aforesaid, by a levy and sale of his property in the county of Fayette, where said executions were obtained against him. It appears further from the evidence that the last Legislature directed by bill to be paid the principal, interest, and cost on two of said cases. The principal sum in each case was one hundred dollars.

Your Committee recommend the principal, interest, and cost of levy, sale and advertising the other case to be paid, report a bill for that purpose herewith presented.

- The same, which is a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John Huie, &c., was read the first time.

The following bills of the Senate were read the first time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act approved 22d January, 1852, entitled an act to repeal the 1st section of an act approved 19th December, 1849, entitled an act to repeal all laws respecting the importation of slaves into this State, and to give certain powers to municipal corporations in relation to slaves, and to amend the act hereby revived and to revive said first section so repealed.

A bill to be entitled an act to change and fix the time of holding the Superior Court in the county of Meriwether, and for other purposes therein named.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor, by Mr. deGraffieried, his Secretary, and on motion taken up and read :

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the Governor to transmit to this branch of the General Assembly a communication in writing with accompanying documents :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
MILLEDGEVILLE, GEO., Jan. 26, 1856. }

To the Senate and House of Representatives :

I herewith transmit the report of William K. deGraffenried, Esq., together with the correspondence between him, as Commissioner on the part of Georgia, and James A. Whitesides, Esq., as Commissioner on the part of Tennessee, appointed under joint resolutions of their respective Legislatures, to negotiate terms of amicable Railroad intercourse between the two States.

The subject is so fully discussed in these documents, that nothing remains to be added, so far as relates to the surrender of jurisdiction by the Courts of Tennessee over the Western and Atlantic Railroad. The negotiation shows that this point will not be yielded by Tennessee.

The case of McClung vs the Western and Atlantic Railroad was one on which we hoped to test the question of jurisdiction of the Courts of Tennessee before the Supreme Court of the United States. The necessary papers were prepared and forwarded to the Hon. Hiram Warner at Washington to obtain a Writ of Error; but not being a practitioner in the Federal Court, he turned them over to the Hon. P. Phillips, an eminent lawyer, who after full investigation gave the opinion that the Supreme Court of the United States has not jurisdiction of the case. Judge Warner concurred in the soundness of that opinion. I then forwarded the papers to the Hon. Robert Toombs, and he replied that, after careful examination he was perfectly satisfied that the Federal Court has no authority to review the case. I will add that these opinions of those eminent gentlemen only confirm me in what has always been my own. So that it may be considered as now finally settled, that the Courts of Tennessee have jurisdiction of suits against the Western and Atlantic Railroad, and from the final communication of Mr. Whitesides to Mr. deGraffenried we are to understand that Tennessee will not surrender that jurisdiction.

It remains for the Legislature to determine what course Georgia will pursue in the premises. If it were an original question, with the light of our experience shining upon it, I would urge that the Western and Atlantic Railroad should terminate at our Northern boundary. But we have entered Tennessee, and a portion of the Road lies within her limits, and the question presented for consideration is, whether under the circumstances we should withdraw from her borders. It is a very grave question; it ought not to be acted

on hastily, nor under the influence of feelings of irritation endendered by past litigation. The interests involved are too great to be put to the jeopardy of precipitate action, and above all, nothing should be done without full disavowal of all intention to wound the honor of Tennessee. With a sister State, we must have no quarrel.

To aid in the cultivation of a proper spirit, it will be well to remember, whilst deliberating on this subject, that the causes of action in all the suits which have been determined, and of nearly every one now pending, accrued prior to the 1st of November, 1853, and that since that time, there has arisen scarcely any complaint by the citizens of Chattanooga and those shipping from that point against the management of the Road. This is certainly some evidence that these suits have not originated alone in a disposition to harass the Road, and that the causes in which they did originate, have not again occurred for more than two years. It is not necessary for me, in this connection, to comment upon the heavy cases which have been determined. I have not had time to examine the voluminous testimony adduced upon their trial. It is all in the hands of a special Committee of the Senate, who will doubtless report in full. But it is due to candor to say that, so far as I have been able to look into this mass of testimony, it has resulted in the impression that we have much less cause to complain of the recoveries than is generally supposed.

What will be the result in the numerous cases now pending, it is impossible to know. The aggregate amount sued for, according to the allegations of the various declarations, is very heavy. But it is known to every intelligent man that the amount of recovery, in each case, depends upon the proofs, and not upon the allegations of the pleader; and from the best information I am able to obtain of the testimony in the cases, which has not yet been collected and prepared, it is perhaps not unsafe to suppose that twelve or fifteen thousand dollars will cover the aggregate sum, which will be finally recovered against the Road.

It is proper to say that able and experienced Counsel were employed to defend the Western and Atlantic Railroad, and will be, to conduct the cases yet to be determined. The care and labor exhibited in the collection and preparation of the proofs are creditable to the industry and capacity of the Commissioner who has been charged specially with that branch of the cases.

Therefore, in determining the proper action to be taken, it is important to bear in mind the momentous interests involved, to be tender of the sensibilities and honor of a sister State, and to remember that no Legislation can reverse the suits already determined, or oust the jurisdiction of those now pending. What you do, must look alone to the future,

and should be the result of wise, temperate and mature deliberation.

HERSCHEL V. JOHNSON.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor, by Mr. deGraffenried, his Secretary, and on motion, taken up and read :

Mr. Speaker :—I am directed by the Governor to transmit to the House of Representatives a communication in writing with accompanying documents.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
MILLEDGEVILLE, GEO., Jan. 29, 1856. }

To the Senate and House of Representatives :

I received, a few days ago, a series of resolutions adopted by the Legislature of Vermont, in relation to Kansas, transmitted by the Governor of that State to be submitted to the General Assembly of Georgia. I have hesitated to comply with the request of the last resolution for two reasons ; first, because I deprecate the humiliation of being made the medium to communicate an insult to the State of Georgia ; and secondly, because I equally deprecate the renewal of the agitation of the question of slavery, so adverse to the repose of the popular mind, so destructive of the feelings of amity which should characterize the relations between the States of this Republic, and so hostile to the stability and integrity of the Union. But after calm deliberation, I have deemed it my duty to transmit to you these resolutions, content that consequences shall be upon the heads of their authors.

The preamble and resolutions profess to assert facts and principles, but their allegations of facts are false, and their principles totally unsound and at variance with the correct theory of our Government. As a fact, they assert that the power and influence of the slaveholding States have been exerted in extending and strengthening the institution of human slavery ; that for this purpose the laws for the recovery of fugitive slaves and the organization of territorial governments for Kansas and Nebraska were passed ; and that the present administration of the General Government has lent itself to these illegal and unjust schemes. If the occasion required, it would be an easy task to confront these declarations with the teachings of all our past history. Not a solitary instance can be adduced in which the slaveholding States ever asked Congress even to take jurisdiction of the question of slavery, much less to exercise the power of promoting its establishment or extension. Non-intervention is now, and always has been, their motto. They have deprecated the agitation of the subject in every form. They have remonstrated against its introduction into the halls of Congress. They have appealed to the fanatics of the slaveholding States, by every argument by which they could hope to reach their patriotism or their reason, to desist from their

assaults upon the constitutional rights of the South. The passage of the law for the recapture of fugitive slaves, so far from being "contrary to the clear intent of the founders of the Government and in violation of the spirit of the Constitution," was in perfect accordance with both. The Kansas-Nebraska act, so far from being a measure "inviting the establishment of slavery" on those territories, simply opens them to the free ingress of all the citizens of the several States, and invests them with the right of making their own laws, subject to no restriction but that of conformity to the Constitution of the United States. "The present Administration of the General Government" has therefore "lent itself" to no "illegal and unjust schemes," by seeing to the faithful execution of these laws. But to have been derelict, the President would have incurred a guilt next to turpitude, to treason against the Constitution which he has sworn to support. The assertions of the preamble and resolutions of Vermont, in reference to the Kansas Legislature, are equally unfortunate. It is a fact of general notoriety that under the Proclamation of Governor Reeder, prescribing the time, place and manner of holding elections for members of the Territorial Legislature of Kansas, the people thereof selected their Representatives, that they convened at the place designated in his Proclamation, received from the Governor certificates of their election, organized as a legislative body, and the Governor communicated to them his inaugural message. Thus regularly clothed with legislative functions, they proceeded orderly to the enactment of laws for the government of Kansas. Now it is asserted that armed citizens from Missouri unlawfully invaded the Territory, took possession of the ballot box, prevented a certain class of citizens from exercising the elective franchise, and thus vitiated the elections held in pursuance of the Governor's Proclamation. This is not true; and looking to the circumstances of the case, it is impossible to have been true. In his Proclamation Governor Reeder was careful to specify and define the mode of contesting the legality of the election of members to the Territorial Legislature. He prescribed, "That in case any person shall desire to contest the election of any district of the Territory, they shall make a written statement, directed to the Governor, setting forth the particular precinct or district they intend to contest, the candidate whose election they intend to dispute, and the specific causes of complaint in the conduct or return of said election, which complaint shall be signed by not less than ten qualified voters of the Territory, and with the affidavit of one or more of such voters, as to the truth of the facts set forth therein, such written statement must be presented to the Governor, at his office, on or before the 4th day of April, 1853, and if it shall appear that the result of the election in

any council district might be changed by said contest, a day will be fixed for hearing the cause." The seats of several members were contested, and though the mode prescribed was not pursued, yet the Governor entertained the cases, declared the seats vacant, ordered new elections, and issued certificates of election to the persons so elected. Now Governor Reeder's sympathies are well known. It is notorious that he belongs to that party whose sentiments are reflected by these Vermont Resolutions. Is it then to be credited for one moment, that if the alleged violence and fraud upon the ballot box had been actually perpetrated, protests against the election would not have been forwarded in every instance? And if entered, is it not quite certain that the Governor would have vacated the elections? But instead of this, there were but few protests preferred, not enough to change the political complexion of the Legislative Assembly—and after the purgation of that body under the operation of these protests, every member was furnished with the certificate of the Governor as the evidence of his right to a seat therein. Why then this clamor on the part of Vermont and the fanatics of the non-slaveholding States against these proceedings of the Territory of Kansas? It is because the elections alluded to, under the non-intervention principle of the Kansas-Nebraska act, resulted in the return of a large majority to the Legislative Assembly in favor of the institution of slavery. For the purpose of justifying their clamor, they draw upon their imagination for facts, and proceeding entirely upon false premises, they are seconding the factious and mutinous spirit of the abolition party in Kansas, who, repudiating the elections and action of the Territorial Legislature, are seeking to erect Kansas into a non-slaveholding State, and to secure her admission into the Union as such.

It is not necessary for me to vindicate the State of Missouri from the grossly insulting and false imputations made against a respectable portion of her citizens. That is triumphantly proclaimed by the history of the events to which I have alluded. But in a more important respect, the attitude of the Missourians, who are thus branded, challenges support and sympathy of Georgia and the slaveholding States, as well as of the friends of the Constitution in every quarter of the Union. It is natural that she should be peculiarly sensitive as to the character of the domestic institutions of Kansas. Though she ought not (as she has not) illegally to interfere in the affairs of Kansas, yet she cannot be expected to stand as a tame spectator of the extraordinary efforts from the East to abolitionize that Territory. Why are Vermont and her fanatical co-laborers in the non-slaveholding States silent in reference to such movements as that of the Massachusetts Aid Society? Though many hundred

miles distant from Kansas, they seek to control her destiny by pouring into her borders their hordes of hired emigrants, and it is all considered legitimate and right; but when the people of Missouri, just on the border of the scene of action, having the most vital interest in the subject, indicate solicitude to protect the bona fide settlers of Kansas against these Eastern intruders, and to vindicate, as a matter of self-preservation, the great principle of the Kansas-Nebraska act, they are gravely charged by solemn legislative resolves with "unlawful invasion" and "illegal and forcible" violation of the rights of the elective franchise. I will not trust myself to use the language which would appropriately characterize such unjust and officious intermeddling.

If we look at the geographical position of Missouri, we not only find a justification of the solicitude of her citizens, relative to this vital controversy, but that its final settlement must affect all the slaveholding States. The institution of slavery exists in Missouri; but she is now flanked on two sides by non-slaveholding States—Iowa on the North and Illinois on the East. What will be her condition if Kansas, which lies on her West, shall also become a non-slaveholding State? Warred upon by Abolitionists, on the one hand, and practically denied the provisions of the fugitive slave law, on the other, her slaves will be valueless, and the institution crushed out within her borders. It will require but a few years for this consummation, by which the disparity between the relative strength of the two great sections, in the Federal Government, will be permanently increased—the South made weaker and the North stronger. Hence the importance, not only to the South, but to the entire Union, that the legitimate operation of the Kansas act should not be thwarted by improper external influences from any quarter. It opens the Territory to all the citizens of the U. States, secures to them therein the right of self-government, and to adopt or reject slavery, in the formation of their State Constitution. While, therefore, the South will not interfere improperly, and is prepared to acquiesce in the final decision of the bona fide settlers of Kansas on the subject of slavery, they will not tolerate fanatical efforts to mould its institutions, and will and ought to rally to the support of the people of Missouri, in protecting them in the free and unrestrained exercise of their rights under the law of their territorial organization. If you think proper to make any response to the resolutions of Vermont, this should be distinctly announced, without the fervor of passion, but with the firmness and dignity of unalterable purpose.

The doctrines of political principle involved in the preamble and resolutions under consideration, are as erroneous as their allegations of fact are untrue. They take it for granted that Congress may rightfully take jurisdiction of the

question of slavery in the territories of the United States, and is bound so to exercise it as to exclude therefrom citizens of the slaveholding States with their property. No such authority is found in the Constitution. It is totally at war with the theory of our system of Government. It ignores the sovereignty and equality of the States. To these doctrines Georgia can never subscribe. Their practical enforcement will lead to dissolution, if resisted ; and if submitted to, to the degradation of one-half the members of the Federal Union. It were interesting, if necessary, to demonstrate the fallacy of these doctrines. But it is idle to reason with fanaticism, and sound constitutional men every where are already convinced. Let us await the future in dignified patience, but resolved to meet aggression as becomes freemen.

I should not have indulged in such elaborate comment upon the preamble and resolutions of Vermont, but for the fact that existing circumstances give them a point and significance which it is impossible to disregard. It is obvious that the fate of Kansas is the paramount question of the day, and that upon its satisfactory adjustment is probably suspended the safety of the slaveholding States, and the continuance of the Federal Union. Whether we look at the actual condition of affairs in that Territory, or in the Congress of the United States, now in session, we find much to awaken the apprehension of patriots in every portion of our country. In Washington, a spectacle is presented which is disreputable to the character of our government, as it is evincive of deep-rooted and organized hostility to the constitutional rights of the South. During several weeks the House of Representatives has been engaged in a fruitless effort to organize itself for the transaction of its appropriate business. The minority, with a firmness and unanimity honorable to patriots, are seeking to effect an organization upon the principles of the Kansas-Nebraska act, whilst the majority, with a pertinacity worthy of a better cause, seem to be resolved upon no organization rather than the recognition of those principles. The triumph of the latter is prevented by the want of harmony among themselves, they (excepting a few Southern men) differing only as to the extent to which they are willing to go, in assailing the rights of the South, as involved in the Kansas-Nebraska act. For all practical purposes, the Government is at an end, and must continue during the existence of this sectional strife in the Representative Hall of Congress. What will be the result, no prescience can predict, but that it is disastrous to the brotherhood between the States, that it weakens the constitutional bonds of our Union, and augments the tendency to array section against section, cannot be denied. In this state of things it behooves the State of Georgia, as an integral por-

tion of the South, to do whatever she can to arrest the tide of aggression, or failing to do that, to place herself in the safest attitude of self-preservation. It may be, and I trust that such will be the result, that the union of the sound constitutional men of all sections, of which there are gratifying indications, may prove strong enough ultimately to arrest the machinations of fanaticism and save the Union from the storm which now darkens our political horizon. But it is vain to expect that our assailants will voluntarily relent their purpose or relax their efforts for our destruction. They will either conquer the friends of the Constitution and the Union, or they must be conquered. In the latter result the rights of the South will be maintained, but in the event of the former, the South must take care of herself. Such is the awful issue which is now distinctly presented to the country. Whilst you should studiously avoid all rashness either in expression or action, you will be disloyal to the great first law of self-preservation if you should fail to adopt such measures of legislation as may be best calculated to arrest impending calamities, if they may be, and if not, to protect the State against their ruinous consequences. Georgia took her position on these momentous issues in her Convention of 1850. In the 4th resolution, adopted by that body, she solemnly announced that she would "resist even (as a last resort) to the disruption of every tie that binds her to the Union" the acts of aggression therein enumerated.— But that Convention did not designate the time and mode of resistance, but left it for a future Convention to determine. But such a Convention cannot be assembled without legislative authority. I therefore respectfully renew the recommendation contained in my Message to the General Assembly at the commencement of your session, that you pass an act authorizing the Governor, upon the happening of any of the contingencies specified in the 4th resolution of the Convention of 1850, to call a Convention to consider and determine the time and mode of resistance thereby contemplated. Should such contingency never arise, the legislation can do no harm; if it should, it will be notice, in advance, to our assailants, will throw upon them the responsibility of consequences, and justify the State in the estimation of mankind. The signs of the times are portentous; it rests with you, calmly and firmly, to place the State in the best attitude to breast the swelling tempest.

HERSCHEL V. JOHNSON.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Jones of Muscogee, and on motion taken up, read and referred to the Committee on the State of the Republic, viz :

Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor be requested to transmit a copy of the following resolution to the Governor of Vermont, with a request that the said resolution be

by the said Governor communicated to the General Assembly of the State of Vermont.

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Georgia, That the State of Georgia desires to hold no further intercourse with the State of Vermont, and will not further consider any resolution emanating from her, until the said State of Vermont shall have learned to regard her constitutional obligations and the courtesy due to the States of this Union.

Resolved, That until further ordered, no resolution, laws, ordinances or other legislative act of the State of Georgia, be communicated to the State of Vermont.

The following resolution, which was offered by Mr. Thornton as a substitute for that of Mr. Jones, was likewise read and referred to the Committee on the State of the Republic, viz:

Resolved by the General Assembly of Georgia, That in answer to the resolutions upon the subject of slavery by the State of Vermont, his Excellency the Governor of this State be directed to enclose a copy of the resolves of the Convention of this State passed in 1850, to enclose with the same a leaden bullet, and to transmit them to the Governor of Vermont, with a request to lay the same before the General Assembly of that State.

Mr. Smith of Union presented the following resolution, which being read was also referred to the same Committee, viz:

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Georgia, That his Excellency the Governor is hereby requested to transmit the Vermont resolutions forthwith to the *deep, dark and fetid sink of social and political iniquity* from whence they emanated, with the following unequivocal declaration inscribed thereon.

Resolved, That Georgia, standing on her constitutional palladium, heeds not the maniac ravings of hell-born fanaticism, nor stoops from her lofty position to hold terms with perjured traitors.

The message of the Governor relative to our relations with the State of Tennessee, growing out of the Western and Atlantic Railroad, was on motion taken up, read and referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Phillips, Jones of Muscogee, Lawton, Milledge, Terhune, Sapp and Irvin.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor, through Mr. de Graffenried, his Secretary:

Mr. Speaker—The Governor has approved and signed a resolution ‘granting free passage over the Western and Atlantic Railroad to Major Jefferson Buford of Alabama, and his company of Kansas Emigrants, and other companies of like character.’”

Also, the following acts, to-wit:

An act amendatory of the several acts incorporating the city of Rome in this State.

An act to establish and incorporate a Medical College in the city of Savannah, to be called the Oglethorpe Medical College.

An act to authorize the selection and permanent location of a county site in the county of Wayne, and to authorize the building of a new court-house, and the levying of an extra tax, and for other purposes therein specified.

An act to lay out a new county out of the counties of Polk and Carroll, and to organize the same.

Also, a resolution requesting Cobb's Analysis and Digest to be sent to Gilmer county.

Mr. Haynie moved to have one hundred and sixty copies of the Governor's Message relative to the resolutions of the State of Vermont, printed for the use of the House.

The yeas and nays were required to be recorded on this proposition, and are yeas 64, nays 45.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Harris of Fulton,	Richards,
Barton,	Harrison,	Sharman,
Bartlett,	Haynie,	Solomon,
Beall,	Headen,	Smith of Bryan,
Boyd,	Hill,	Smith of Clinch,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Smith of Hancock,
Boykin of Troup,	Hudson of Harris,	Smith of Tattnall,
Brown of Burke,	Hughes,	Smith of Union,
Brown of Talbot,	Jones of Muscogee,	Stamper,
Browning,	Jones of Warren,	Stephens,
Burnett,	Julian,	Swearingen,
Butts,	Kirkpatrick,	Terhune,
Calloway,	Lane,	Thornton,
Causey,	Maynor,	Wood,
Cottle,	McCants,	Walton,
Cunningham,	McLenan,	Ward,
Dozier,	Milledge,	Warthen,
Felton,	Murphy,	Watts,
Fields,	Parks,	Whitworth,
Graham,	Phillips,	Wiggins,
Hale,	Pickett,	Williams,
Harrell,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Carlton,	Dorminy,
Amiss,	Cobb,	Durden,
Barrett,	Cooper,	Edenfield,
Bird,	Cornwell,	Griffith,
Brown of Camden,	Crook,	Irvin,
Caldwell of Walker,	Davis of Bibb,	Johnson of Carroll,
Cannon,	Davis of Polk,	Johnson of Cass,

King of Fayette	Montgomery,	Reid,
King of McIntosh,	Moore,	Roberts,
Lawton,	Owen,	Rumph,
Lewis of Greene,	Pafford,	Sapp,
Matthews,	Paris,	Simmons,
M'Connel of Catoosa	Peterson,	Sinquefield,
McConnel of Gord'n	Porter,	Slocumb,
Mobley,	Pruitt,	Wynn.

So the motion prevailed.

The following bills of the Senate were read the first time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the 19th section of the first article of the Constitution of the State of Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act to extend the provisions of the 4th section, 29th Charles II. ch. 3d, so as to make the same applicable to slaves.

And a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Courts of this State to exercise criminal jurisdiction.

The following bills were reported and read the first time, viz :—

Mr. Durden reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend the road laws of this State.

Mr. Lawton reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend the third section of an act entitled an act to amend the several acts relating to the Court of Common Pleas and of Oyer and Terminer of the city of Savannah, and for other purposes, approved 9th December, 1853, and for other purposes therein named.

Mr. Sharman offered a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary of Upson county to pay arrearages due the teachers of poor children in said county for services rendered in the years 1853, '54 and '55..

Mr. Cannon reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Keener's Camp Ground of the Methodist Episcopal Church South in the county of Rabun, and to confer certain powers and privileges upon the same.

The House then adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the rejection of the bill to be entitled an act to provide for the education of the youth of Georgia in the rudiments of an English education

and the substitute therefor. Upon this proposition the yeas and nays were required to be recorded and are yeas 64, nays 52.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Hilliard,	Paris,
Barton,	Hoyle,	Phillips,
Bartlett,	Hughes,	Pickett,
Boyd,	Johnson of Carroll,	Powell,
Brantley,	Johnson of Cass,	Richards,
Browning,	Jones of Lowndes,	Roberts,
Burnett,	Jones of Warren,	Rumph,
Butts,	Julian,	Sapp,
Cannon,	King of Fayette,	Slocumb,
Carlton,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Hancock
Causey,	Lawton,	Smith of Union,
Cornwell,	Lewis of Greene,	Stamper,
Crook,	Lewis of Hancock,	Swearingen,
Davis of Polk,	Lowe,	Tatom,
Dawson,	McClary,	Terhune,
Faulk,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Tharpe,
Graves,	McLenan,	Thompson,
Graybill,	Milledge,	Wood,
Hale,	Moore,	Warthen,
Harris of Meriwet'r,	Murphy,	Wiggins,
Haynie,	Pafford,	Williams,
Headen,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Edenfield,	Owen,
Amiss,	Fields,	Parks,
Barrett,	Graham,	Peterson,
Beall,	Griffith,	Phinizy,
Bird,	Harrell,	Pruitt,
Boykin of Scriven,	Harrison,	Reid,
Boykin of Troup,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Sharman,
Brown of Burke,	Hudson of Harris,	Simmons,
Brown of Camden,	Irvin,	Sinquefield,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Elbert,	Solomon,
Calloway,	Jones of Muscogee,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cobb,	Kirkpatrick,	Spinks,
Cooper,	Lane,	Taylor,
Cunningham,	Maynor,	Ward,
Daniel,	McCants,	Whitworth,
Dorminy,	Mobley,	Wimberly,
Dozier,	Montgomery,	Wynn.
Durden,		

So the motion to reconsider prevailed.

The following message was received from the Senate by Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed a bill appointing

Commissioners of Pilotage for the navigable waters of the Port of Darien in the county of McIntosh.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Hill, Matthews and Moore for a few days on account of special business.

The committee on the part of the House to confer with a similar committee on the part of the Senate, beg leave to report—that upon examination they find near 300 bills of the House and 100 bills of the Senate in the House of Representatives yet undisposed of, and that there are some 280 original bills in the Senate not yet acted on. But they find nine-tenths of these bills to be local and will not require much time in their disposal. They therefore recommend that this General Assembly adjourn sine die on the 20th of February next.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to lend the aid of the State of Georgia to the Brunswick and Florida Railroad Company and to the Savannah, Albany and Gulf Railroad Company upon certain conditions therein named, which was the special order of to-day. Pending the discussion on the same, its further consideration was postponed.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to amend the act incorporating the Georgia Military Institute and to appropriate money for the same.

On motion of Mr. Terhune the House adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 31st, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and resumed the unfinished business of yesterday to-wit:

The bill to be entitled an act to lend the aid of the State of Georgia to the Brunswick and Florida Railroad Company, and the Savannah, Albany and Gulf Railroad Company upon certain conditions therein named. After some time spent in committee on the same, on motion of Mr. Crook, the committee arose and reported the bill back to the House with amendments. Mr. Thornton offered the following as a substitute for the original bill as amended, which is a bill to be entitled an act to lend the aid of the State of Georgia to the Brunswick and Florida Railroad Company, and to the Savannah, Albany and Gulf Railroad Company upon certain conditions therein named. Mr. Terhune moved that 160 copies be printed for the use of the House, and upon this proposition required the yeas and nays to be recorded, and are yeas 58, nays 69.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Headen,	Murphy,
Barton,	Henderson,	Owen,
Bartlett,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Phinizy,
Beall,	Hudson of Harris,	Pruitt,
Boykin of Troup,	Johnson of Carroll,	Reid,
Bradford,	Jones of Muscogee,	Richards,
Brantley,	King of Fayette,	Sapp,
Brown of Camden,	King of McIntosh,	Sharman,
Brown of Talbot,	Kirkpatrick,	Sinquefield,
Caldwell of Walker,	Lane,	Smith of Bryan,
Carlton,	Lawton,	Smith of Hancock,
Cooper,	Lewis of Greene,	Tatom,
Cottle,	Lewis of Hancock,	Terhune,
Dawson,	Lowe,	Thornton,
Durden,	McCants,	Ward,
Felton,	M Connel of Catoosa	Warthen,
Graham,	McLenan,	Watts,
Griffith,	Milledge,	Wiggins,
Hale,	Montgomery,	Williams,
Harris of Meriwet'r,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Graves,	Pickett,
Amiss,	Harrell,	Porter,
Avery,	Harris of Fulton,	Powell,
Bird,	Harrison,	Roberts,
Boyd,	Haynie,	Rozier,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hilliard,	Rumph,
Brown of Burke,	Hoyle,	Simmons,
Browning,	Hughes,	Slocumb,
Burnett,	Irvin,	Solomon,
Butts,	Jones of Lowndes,	Smith of Clinch,
Calloway,	Jones of Warren,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cannon,	Julian,	Spinks,
Causey,	Kitchens,	Stamper,
Cobb,	Maynor,	Stephens,
Cornwell,	McClary,	Swearingen,
Crook,	McConnel of Gord'n	Taylor,
Daniel,	Mobley,	Tharpe,
Davis of Bibb,	Myers,	Thompson,
Davis of Polk,	Pafford,	Wood,
Dorminy,	Parks,	Walton,
Dozier,	Paris,	Whitworth,
Edenfield,	Peterson,	Wimberley,
Fields,	Phillips,	Wynn.

So the motion was lost.

The following Message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed a bill to compensate

the grand and petit jurors of certain counties therein named, and to authorize the Inferior Courts of the same to levy an extra tax for that purpose.

The Senate has also passed the bill of the House of Representatives for the relief of James Wright, jr., Jefferson Wright and others, securities of Stephen Wright formerly Tax Collector of the county of Putnam.

The Senate has also agreed to the resolution of the joint committee of the two Houses providing for the adjournment of the General Assembly sine die from and after the 20th of February next, in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has also agreed to a resolution requesting his Excellency the Governor to furnish the officers of the county of Burke with copies of the acts of 1851 and 1852, of 1853 and 1854, of Cobb's Digest and of Cobb's Analysis and forms, in which they also ask the concurrence of the House.

The House then adjourned until 3½ o'clock, P. M.

HALF PAST THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The following bills were reported and read the first time, viz:

Mr. Lowe reported a bill to be entitled an act to confer certain powers on Henry Deavenport of Clarke county.

Mr. Davis of Bibb from the Committee on the Asylum for the Blind, reported a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to erect a necessary building for the accommodation of the pupils at the Institution for the Blind.

Mr. Terhune reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Bank of the State of Georgia to establish a Branch Bank in the city of Rome, Georgia, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to pay the mileage and per diem of the members of the House of Representatives from the State of Georgia in the Congress of the United States ;

And a bill to be entitled an act to provide for the sale of insolvent tax executions in the several counties of this State and to authorize the purchaser at such sales, or their transferers, or whoever may hold the same to collect the same.

Mr. Phillips offered a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John A. Jones of the county of Polk.

Mr. Cottle reported a bill to be entitled an act to give further time for holding the Superior Courts of Sumter, Lee, Dougherty and Baker counties.

Mr. Phillips also reported a bill to be entitled an act relative to the re-survey of the 6th district of Habersham county.

Mr. Hudson reported a bill to be entitled an act to grant certain privileges to the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Harris.

Mr. Graham reported a bill to be entitled an act to provide for the compensation of grand and petit jurors of the county of Lumpkin.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Bank of the South to be located at Savannah.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize and require certain parties to give evidence and for other purposes ;

And a bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act to regulate the testimony of Attorneys at Law.

Mr. Wiggins reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize and require the Ordinary of Marion county to pay Littleton Morgan certain sums of money for teaching poor children in said county in the year 1852 ;

And a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of William Wells and others.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the estate and orphans of Bryan Fanin.

Mr. Montgomery reported a bill to be entitled an act to lay out and create a new county from the counties of Talbot, Harris and Meriwether, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock also offered a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Bailey White, and for other purposes.

Mr. Henderson reported a bill to be entitled an act to alter and change the line between the counties of Newton and Jasper.

Mr. Cannon reported a bill to be entitled an act to lay out and construct a Turn Pike Road.

Mr. Browning reported a bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Lowndes and Thomas, and to attach the same to a Judicial and Congressional district and provide for the location of a county site in such new county.

Mr. Pruitt reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of A. M. Pratt of the county of Franklin.

Mr. Cooper reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Walton Female College in Monroe, Walton county, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Harris of Fulton reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Atlanta.

Mr. Hill reported a bill to be entitled an act to enlarge the boundary of the town of LaGrange and to incorporate the same under the name of the city of LaGrange, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled,

signed by the President of the Senate and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act for the relief of the estate of Joseph White, late of the county of Stewart, deceased.

The committee to whom was referred the memorial of Michael Dickson, John Dickson et al, heirs and representatives of Captain Michael Dickson, praying compensation for certain bounty lands granted to Captain Michael Dickson for revolutionary services, beg leave to report that they have had the same under consideration and find from the records in the various offices, that a certificate or warrant for five hundred acres of land, was issued to the said Michael Dickson as bounty on the 17th day of May, 1784, and that the same was located and surveyed in Washington county on the 26th day of September, 1784; and we also find that a grant to the same issued to the said Michael Dickson on the 19th day of February, 1789. Your committee are unable to say in what county (as at present organized) the said tract of land is situated, but from the plat and notes attached thereto, suppose it lies in what is now the county of Baldwin, Jefferson county, or in the county of Warren, upon Reedy creek. We further find that the lands of Washington county have never been disposed of by lottery, but have been subject to Head Rights and Bounty Warrants.

We are unable to say whether the same identical lands have been granted by the State to any other person or not. We find that the same case was before the Legislature of Georgia as often as twice before this, to-wit: in 1826 and 1833, although we are unable to find the original petitions. We find that in both instances the claims were submitted to a committee and the committees made their reports; we find the reports filed away in the State-house. One committee reporting that the claim was unreasonable because the warrants was located without this State, and the other committee reporting that the claim should be paid—also that compensation should be made to Michael Dickson for six hundred and thirty-two acres of land for which a warrant had issued to Hugh Kelsey, Thomas Kelsey and Charles Miller, and which warrants had become the property of Captain Michael Dickson. These reports being all the papers on file that we have been able to find. We can find nothing on record of the survey or grant to the said 632½ acres neither to Captain Michael Dickson nor to the Kelseys.

We also find that there is a Reedy creek in Baldwin county, and it is possible that Captain Dickson's warrant was surveyed on that creek, as the report of one of the committees before alluded to, located the land without this State, and at the time of said survey there was no county west of Washington, and the territory included in Baldwin county did not then belong to any county.

We therefore without expressing any opinion whether the claim should be paid or not herewith report a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Michael Dickson and others, heirs of Captain Michael Dickson.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

The same was read the first time.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed a bill to authorize the Inferior Court of Burke county to issue bonds for the purpose of building a new Court-house and other public buildings in said county.

The Senate has also agreed to resolutions requesting his Excellency the Governor to furnish the county officers of Marion county and the justices of the peace in the 1134th district of Campbell county, with all the books usually furnished said officers, in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Cornwell offered a resolution prohibiting the reconsideration of any question upon which the yeas and nays may be recorded.

Mr. Taylor offered the following resolution which was on motion taken up, read and agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That the Governor be authorized to furnish the Clerk of the Superior Court of the county of Wilkinson ten volumes, from the 1st to the 10th inclusive, of the Georgia Supreme Court Reports, to supply the place of those numbers consumed by the burning of the Court-house in 1854.

Mr. Wynn offered the following resolution which was taken up, read and agreed to, viz

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Georgia in General Assembly met, That his Excellency the Governor be and he is hereby requested to furnish the 1139th Militia District in Coweta county, with a copy each of Cobb's new Digest, Cobb's Analysis and Forms, together with the Acts and Journals of the General Assembly of 1853 and '54, and 1855 and '56.

Mr. Bradford offered the following resolution which on motion, was taken up, read and agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That the Governor be and he is hereby authorized to forward to the Clerk of the Superior Court of Cobb county, for the use of the Justices Courts of said county, six copies of Cobb's new Digest and the same number of Cobb's Analysis.

Mr. Pafford offered a resolution relative to the establishment of a certain mail route. Also a resolution relative to providing the county officers and officers of Militia districts in the county of Coffee, the Digest of the Laws of Georgia and Cobb's Analysis.

The following bills were reported and read the first time, viz :

Mr. Owen reported a bill to be entitled an act to change the name of the Talbotton Female Academy, located at Talbotton, Talbot county, Georgia, to that of Levert College, to incorporate the same and to confer certain powers on the Board of Trustees therein named.

Mr. Lawton reported a bill to be entitled an act to increase the salaries of the Judges of the Superior Courts.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Hightower Mining Company. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate a Bank in the city of Savannah to be called the Mechanics and Traders' Bank. A substitute therefor reported to-day by the Committee on Banks and bearing the same title, was adopted. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Griffin Savings and Mutual Loan Association. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The Committee on Petitions to whom was referred a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Lexington, in the county of Oglethorpe, and to provide for the election of Intendant and Commissioners therefor, and to define their duties and for other purposes, report the same back to the House with an amendment and recommend its passage.

The same Committee report favorably to the passage of the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Joseph Landrum of the county of Oglethorpe.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Causey for a few days on account of special business, and to Mr. Smith of Union on account of ill health.

The House then adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1st, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and resumed the consideration of the unfinished business of yesterday, to-wit, the bill to be entitled an act to lend the aid of the State of Georgia to the Brunswick and Florida Railroad Company, and the Savannah, Albany and Gulf Railroad Company, upon certain conditions therein named, and a substitute offered therefor, and bearing a similar title. Action upon the

substitute being postponed, the original bill was taken up by sections.

Mr. Thornton offered to amend the 5th clause of the first section by adding after the words Comptroller General, the words "and it shall be the duty of the Governor to publish in a public gazette at Milledgeville each statement of the President and Directors of said Company upon application for bonds of the State." The same was received.

Mr. Jones moved to amend the 10th section by striking therefrom the words "Eufaula, Alabama," and inserting in lieu thereof "at Columbus, Georgia."

Upon this proposition, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 57, nays 72.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barton,	Henderson,	Myers,
Battle,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Owen,
Bird,	Hudson of Harris,	Parks,
Boykin of Troup,	Irvin,	Paris,
Brantley,	Johnson of Cass,	Phinizy,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Elbert,	Pruitt,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Henry,	Reid,
Carlton,	Jones of Muscogee,	Sharman,
Cooper,	King of McIntosh,	Sinquefield,
Cornwell,	Kirkpatrick,	Spinks,
Daniel,	Lane,	Tatom,
Dawson,	Lewis of Greene,	Terhune,
Durden,	Lewis of Hancock,	Thornton,
Felton,	Lowe,	Ward,
Gordon,	Maynor,	Warthen,
Griffith,	McCants,	Watts,
Hale,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Whitworth,
Harris of Meriwe'r,	Montgomery,	Wiggins,
Headen,	Murphy,	Wynn,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Crook,	Hoyle,
Barrett,	Cunningham,	Hughes,
Bartlett,	Davis of Polk,	Jones of Lowndes,
Beall,	Dorminy,	Jones of Warren,
Boyd,	Dozier,	Julian,
Boykin of Scriven,	Edenfield,	King of Fayette,
Bradford,	Faulk,	Kitchens,
Brown of Burke,	Fields,	Lawton,
Brown of Camden,	Graham,	McClary,
Browning,	Graves,	M'Connel of Gordon,
Burnett,	Graybill,	McLean,
Butts,	Harrell,	McLenan,
Calloway,	Harris of Fulton,	Milledge,
Cannon,	Haynie,	Mobley,
Cobb,	Hilliard,	Pafford,

Peterson,	Sapp,	Stephens,
Phillips,	Simmons,	Swearingen,
Pickett,	Slocumb,	Taylor,
Porter,	Solomon,	Tharpe,
Powell,	Smith of Bryan	Thompson,
Richards,	Smith of Clinch	Wood,
Roberts,	Smith of Tattnal,	Walton,
Rozier,	Smith of Union,	Williams,
Rumph,	Stamper,	Wimberly,

So the motion to amend was lost.

Mr. Jones also offered to amend the 10th section by adding after the word "Alabama" in the 8th line thereof, the words "or Columbus, or Eufaula, or Fort Gaines. as the Company shall deem best for the interest of the State. The same was agreed to.

Mr. Terhune offered to amend by striking out the 10th section, and the yeas and nays being required to be recorded thereon, are yeas 48, nays 70.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Hale,	Owen,
Barrett,	Harris of Meriwe'r	Paris,
Beall,	Henderson,	Phinizy,
Bird,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Pickett,
Boykin of Troup,	Hudson of Harris	Reid,
Brown of Burke,	Jones of Muscogee,	Roberts,
Brown of Talbot,	King of Fayette,	Rozier,
Caldwell of Walker	King of McIntosh,	Sharman,
Carlton,	Kirkpatrick,	Spinks,
Cooper,	Lane,	Stephens,
Daniel,	Lewis of Greene,	Tatom,
Dawson,	Lowe,	Terhune,
Durden,	Maynor,	Ward,
Felton,	McCants,	Warthen,
Fields,	Montgomery,	Watts,
Griffith,	Murphy,	Wiggins,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barton,	Cornwell.	Harrison,
Bartlett,	Crook,	Haynie,
Battle,	Cunningham,	Headen,
Boyd,	Davis of Bibb,	Hilliard,
Boykin of Scriven,	Davis of Polk,	Hoyle,
Bradford,	Dorminy,	Hughes,
Brantley,	Dozier,	Irvin,
Brown of Camden,	Edenfield,	Johnson of Cass,
Browning,	Faulk,	Jones of Warren,
Burnett,	Graves,	Julian,
Butts,	Graybill,	Lawton,
Cannon,	Harrell,	McClary,
Cobb,	Harris of Fulton,	M'Connel of Cataosa

McConnel of Goid'n	Pruitt,	Stamper,
McLean,	Richards,	Swearingen,
McLennan,	Rumph,	Taylor,
Milledge,	Sapp,	Tharpe,
Mobley,	Simmons,	Thompson,
Pafford,	Sinquefield,	Thornton,
Parks,	Slocumb,	Wood,
Peterson,	Solomon,	Walton,
Phillips,	Smith of Bryan,	Whitworth,
Porter,	Smith of Clinch,	Wynn.
Powell,	Smith of Tattall,	

So the same was lost.

Mr. Cannon proposed to amend by striking out the 11th section, as reported by the committee of the whole, and upon the same the yeas and nays were required to be recorded. They are yeas 60, nays 62.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amis,	Henderson,	Phillips,
Battle,	Hudson of Gwin'tt	Phinizy,
Beall,	Hudson of Harris,	Pickett,
Boykin of Troup,	Irvin,	Pruitt,
Brantley,	Johnson of Henry,	Reid,
Brown of Talbot,	Jones of Muscogee,	Richards,
Caldwell of Walker	King of Fayette,	Roberts,
Cannon,	Kirkpatrick,	Sharman,
Carlton,	Lane,	Sinquefield,
Cooper,	Lewis of Greene,	Spinks,
Cornwell,	Lowe,	Stephens,
Cunningham,	Maynor,	Tatom,
Daniel,	McCants,	Terhune,
Dawson,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Thornton,
Durden,	M'Connel of Gordon	Ward,
Fields,	Montgomery,	Warthen,
Griffith,	Murphy,	Watts,
Hale,	Myers,	Whitworth.
Harris of Meriwe'r,	Owen,	Wiggins,
Headen,	Parks,	Wynn,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Butts,	Graybill,
Barrett,	Cobb,	Harrell,
Barton,	Crook,	Harris of Fulton,
Bartlett,	Davis of Bibb,	Haynie,
Bird,	Davis of Polk,	Hilliard,
Boyd,	Dorminy,	Hoyle,
Boykin of Scriven	Dozier,	Hughes,
Bradford,	Edenfield,	Johnson of Cass,
Brown of Camden,	Faulk,	Jones of Lowndes,
Browning,	Graham,	Jones of Warren,
Burnett,	Graves,	Kitchers,

Lawton,	Porter,	Smith of Tattnall,
Lewis of Hancock,	Powell,	Stamper.
McClary,	Rozier,	Swearingen,
McLean,	Rumph,	Taylor,
McLenan,	Sapp,	Tharpe,
Milledge,	Simmons,	Thompson,
Mobley,	Slocumb,	Walton,
Pafford,	Solomon,	Williams,
Paris,	Smith of Bryan,	Wimberly,
Peterson,	Smith of Clinch,	

So the motion to strike out the same was lost.

Mr. Irvin presented the following as a substitute for the 14th section, which was received, viz :

The bonds of the State of Georgia herein provided for shall not be sold at less than their par value either directly for money or indirectly by contract for work or materials at prices beyond the actual cash price current at the time, or by any other device. And the President of the Company receiving bonds under this act, shall on every receipt of bonds take and subscribe the following oath in writing, to be placed in the office of the Comptroller General, viz :

I, A B, do solemnly swear (or affirm as the case may be) that the bonds now received by the Railroad Company of which I am President, shall not be sold at less than their par value, either directly or indirectly, so help me God.

And if any of such bonds be sold directly or indirectly at less than par, the Railroad Company so selling them shall thereby forfeit and lose every right granted by this act, and it shall be the duty of the Governor to deliver no more bonds to the Company or Companies which shall sell either directly or indirectly any bond or bonds issued by virtue of this act below par.

Mr. Harris of Fulton offered the following as an additional section, which was received.

And if any Director or President or President or Directors of either of said Railroads, shall misapply or appropriate any bond or bonds issued in pursuance of this act to any other purpose than herein specified and prescribed, he or they shall be guilty of felony and on conviction of any such offence, he or they shall be liable to not less than two nor longer than fifteen years imprisonment in the Penitentiary.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, its Secretary.

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit:

A bill entitled an act to permit practicing Attorneys to hold the office and discharge the duties of Justices of the Peace in this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to give endorsers the control of

fi fas in all cases in which they may have paid them off against the principal or any prior endorser.

Also the following bill of the House of Representatives, to-wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize and empower Charles S. Arnold of the county of Chatham, to marry again and for other purposes, which I am directed by the Senate to transmit forthwith to the House of Representatives.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to authorize and empower Charles S. Arnold of the county of Chatham to marry again and for other purposes.

Also an act for the relief of James Wright, jr , Jefferson Wright and others, securities of Stephen Wright formerly Tax Collector of Putnam county, from the payment of twenty per centum interest per annum, on an execution issued by the Comptroller General of this State, against the said Stephen Wright Tax Collector as aforesaid, and said James Wright, jr., and others securities of the same, on the first day of October, 1855, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit :

A bill to alter and amend the 12th section of the 2d article of the Constitution of this State, so as to give the election of Secretary of State, Treasurer and Surveyor General to the people.

A bill to make valid the election of James Bush to the office of Ordinary of the county of Early, and to legalize the acts of John J. Pilcher, Deputy Ordinary of the county of Warren.

A bill to expedite suits in law and equity in certain cases.

A bill to provide and prescribe the mode of taking the testimony of witnesses *de bene esse* in cases where the matter in controversy is not pending in any Court.

A bill to organize a new county from the counties of Randolph and Lee and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to proscribe the mode of taxing costs in the Supreme Court of this State.

Mr. Irvin moved to postpone indefinitely the bill under consideration, and called the previous question thereon which being seconded, the main question was put. Upon this the yeas and nays were required to be recorded and are yeas 57, nays 73.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,

Barrett,

Battle,

Beall,	Haynie,	Myers,
Bird,	Henderson,	Owen,
Boykin of Troup,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Parks,
Brantley,	Hudson of Harris,	Phinizy,
Brown of Talbot,	Irvin,	Reid,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Elbert,	Roberts,
Calloway,	Johnson of Henry,	Sharman,
Carlton,	Jones of Muscogee,	Sinquefield,
Cooper,	King of Fayette,	Spinks,
Cornwell,	Kirkpatrick,	Stephens,
Daniel,	Lane,	Tatom,
Dawson,	Lewis of Greene,	Thornton,
Durden,	Lowe,	Ward,
Fields,	Maynor,	Warthen,
Gordon,	McCants,	Watts,
Griffith,	McLean,	Whitworth,
Hale,	Montgomery	Wiggins,
Harris of Meriwe'r,	Murphy,	Wynn.
Harrison,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Harrell,	Porter,
Barton,	Harris of Fulton,	Powell,
Bartlett,	Headen,	Pruitt,
Boyd,	Hilliard,	Richards,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hoyle,	Rozier,
Bradford,	Hughes,	Rumph,
Brown of Burke,	Johnson of Cass,	Sapp,
Brown of Camden,	Jones of Lowndes,	Simmons,
Browning,	Jones of Warren,	Slocumb,
Burnett,	Julian,	Solomon,
Butts,	Kitchens,	Smith of Bryan,
Cannon,	Lawton,	Smith of Clinch,
Cobb,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Tattall,
Crook,	McClary,	Smith of Union,
Cunningham,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Stamper,
Davis of Bibb,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Swearingen,
Davis of Polk,	McLenan,	Taylor,
Dorminy,	Milledge,	Terhune,
Dozier,	Mobley,	Tharpe,
Edenfield,	Pafford,	Thompson,
Faulk,	Paris,	Wood,
Felton,	Peterson,	Walton,
Graham,	Phillips,	Williams,
Graves,	Pickett,	Wimberly,
Graybill,		

So the motion was lost.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Kirkpatrick, Boykin and Lewis of Hancock, on account of ill health or special business, for a few days.

The House then adjourned until 3½ o'clock, P. M.

HALF PAST THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The following bills of the Senate were read the first time,
viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Cotton Hill Male and Female Seminary in the village of Cotton Hill, Clay county.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of teachers of poor children in the county of Decatur.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Rachael Black.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal so much of an act entitled an act to lay out and organize the county of Fannin out of the counties of Gilmer and Union, or so much of said act as includes a portion of the county of Murray, assented to on the 21st of January, 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent and make penal the obstruction of any of the public roads of Troup county by persons engaged in horse-racing.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Henry A. Clemons.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Dr. J. J. M. Goss to practice medicine on the eclectic system as taught in Cincinnati, Ohio.

A bill to compensate grand and petit jurors in the county of Jefferson and for other purposes.

A bill to exempt certain property of the city of Savannah from taxation.

A bill to be entitled an act to appoint Commissioners of Pilotage for the navigable waters of the port of Darien in the county of McIntosh.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Burke to issue bonds for the purpose of enabling them to build the new Court-house of said county and other public buildings.

A bill to be entitled an act to establish and organize a Court in the city of Columbus and to define its jurisdiction.

A bill to be entitled an act to require Ordinaries of this State to keep a book in which they shall record all letters testamentary, letters of administration and letters of guardianship, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to compensate grand and petit jurors of the county of Pickens and to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court to levy an extra tax for that purpose, and to extend the provisions of this act to other counties therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the several acts in relation to the town of Athens.

A bill to be entitled an act to compensate petit jurors in the county of Marion.

A bill to be entitled an act in relation to the poor school funds in certain counties therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Pierce Female College and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to organize the Court of Common Pleas in the city of Augusta, to change the name thereof, to give it jurisdiction in criminal cases, and for other purposes.

The Committee on Petitions to whom the petition of James R. Bracewell was referred, reported adversely to the granting of his prayer.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the North Georgia Mining Company of Georgia.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee offered to amend by adding the following as an additional section, which was received, viz :

Be it further enacted, That so much of this act as refers to the capital stock of said Company shall extend to the Spring Place Mining Company, and that the capital stock thereof shall and is hereby extended to one million of dollars. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Martha W. Clower of the county of Clark.

Mr. Irvin offered the following which was received, as an additional section, viz :

And be it further enacted, That all the privileges and benefits conferred by this act be also granted to Mrs. Harriett Danfortt of the county of Wilkes.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of White Plains in Greene county, and to confer upon the citizens of said town the privilege of electing town commissioners with certain powers herein enumerated.

The same was amended by Mr. Irvin, by embracing within the corporate limits of the town of Washington in the county of Wilkes, the residence of the late John D. Thompson, and so as to allow citizens of said town, whether freeholders or not, to hold the office of commissioner. Also, amended the caption by adding "and to amend the act incorporating the town of Washington in the county of Wilkes."

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and passed under the amended title thereof.

Mr. Lewis of Greene offered the following resolution, viz :

Resolved, That after to-morrow no member shall speak more than once on any question or subject, nor longer than ten minutes.

Mr. Thornton offered the following as an amendment thereto, which was lost:

Resolved, That each member shall be compelled to speak ten minutes on each debatable proposition.

The original was then lost.

Mr. Lawton moved to take up the resolution from the Senate fixing the 20th instant as the day for adjourning sine die.

Upon this motion the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 74, nays 12.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Graves,	Pafford,
Avery,	Griffith,	Parks,
Barrett,	Hale,	Peterson,
Beall,	Harrell,	Phillips,
Bird,	Harrison,	Phinizy,
Boyd,	Haynie,	Pruitt,
Boykin of Scriven,	Headen,	Reid,
Boykin of Troup,	Hilliard,	Roberts,
Bradford,	Hudson of Harris,	Rozier,
Brown of Burke,	Irvin,	Rumph,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Elbert,	Slocumb,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Henry,	Solomon,
Browning,	Jones of Lowndes,	Smith of Clinch,
Caldwell of Walker,	Julian,	Smith of Tattnall,
Carlton,	King of Fayette,	Spinks,
Cobb,	King of McIntosh,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Kirkpatrick,	Swearingen,
Crook,	Kitchens,	Thompson,
Cunningham,	Lawton,	Thornton,
Daniel,	Maynor,	Walton,
Davis of Polk,	McClary,	Ward,
Dawson,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Whitworth,
Dorminy,	Montgomery,	Wiggins,
Edenfield,	Myers,	Wimberly,
Faulk,	Owen,	Wynn,
Fields,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Burnett,	Jones of Muscogee,	Smith of Bryan,
Cannon,	Lewis of Greene,	Terhune,
Harris of Fulton,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Wood,
Johnson of Cass,	Richards,	Warthen,

So the motion prevailed.

Mr. Lawton then moved to suspend the rule as to the hour of adjournment until the resolution mentioned might be disposed of.

The yeas and nays on this proposition were required to be recorded, and during the recording thereof, the hour of five arrived, the Speaker declared the House adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2nd, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Committee of Conference on the subjects matter of difference between the two Houses on two sections of the general appropriation bill, are of opinion that the House should concur in said amendments. The same was disagreed to.

The House then resumed the unfinished business of yesterday to-wit:

The report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to lend the aid of the State of Georgia to the Brunswick and Florida Railroad Company, and the Savannah, Albany and Gulf Railroad Company, upon certain conditions therein named. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and upon the question of its passage Mr. Millidge called the previous question. Upon the question of seconding the previous question the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 87, nays 35.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	• Dozier,	Lawton,
Avery,	Edenfield,	Lewis of Greene,
Barton,	Faulk,	Lewis of Hancock,
Bartlett,	Graham,	Lowe,
Battle,	Graves,	Maynor,
Beall,	Griffith,	McClary,
Bird,	Hale,	McLean,
Boykin of Troup,	Harrell,	McLenan,
Bradford,	Henderson,	Milledge,
Brown of Burke,	Hilliard,	Mobley,
Brown of Camden,	Hoyle,	Montgomery,
Browning,	Hudson of Gwin'tt.	Murphy,
Burnett,	Hughes,	Myers,
Butts,	Irvin,	Owen,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Elbert,	Pafford,
Cobb,	Jones of Lowndes,	Peterson,
Cooper,	Jones of Muscogee,	Phinizy,
Cornwell,	Jones of Warren,	Porter,
Crook,	King of Fayette,	Powell,
Davis of Bibb,	Kirkpatrick,	Reid,
Davis of Polk,	Kitchens,	Rozier,
Dorminy,	Lane,	Rumph,

Sapp,	Spinks,	Walton,
Simmons,	Stamper,	Ward,
Slocumb,	Swearingen,	Warthen,
Solomon,	Taylor,	Watts,
Smith of Bryan,	Tharpe,	Williams.
Smith of Clinch,	Thompson,	Wimberly.
Smith of Tattnall,	Thornton,	Wynn.

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Gordon,	Parks,
Boyd,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Phillips,
Brantley,	Harrison,	Pickett,
Brown of Talbot,	Haynie,	Pruitt,
Cannon,	Headen,	Roberts,
Carlton,	Hudson of Harris,	Sharman,
Cunningham,	Johnson of Cass,	Stephens,
Daniel,	Johnson of Henry,	Tatom,
Dawson,	Julian,	Terhune,
Durden,	McCants,	Wood,
Felton,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Whitworth,
Fields,	M'Connel of Gord'n,	Wiggins,

So the call was seconded.

Upon the main question, to-wit—the passage of the bill, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 58 nays 70.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs :

Avery,	Harrell,	Rozier,
Barton,	Harris of Fulton,	Rumph,
Bartlett,	Hilliard,	Sapp,
Boyd,	Hoyle,	Simmons,
Bradford,	Hughes,	Slocumb,
Brown of Camden,	Jones of Lowndes,	Solomon,
Browning,	Jones of Warren,	Smith of Bryan,
Burnett,	Julian,	Smith of Clinch,
Butts,	Kitchens,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cobb,	Lawton,	Smith of Union,
Crook,	McClary,	Stamper,
Davis of Bibb,	McLenan,	Swearingen,
Davis of Polk.	Milledge,	Taylor,
Dorminy,	Mobley,	Tharpe,
Dozier,	Pafförd,	Thompson,
Edenfield,	Peterson,	Wood,
Faulk,	Porter,	Walton,
Felton,	Powell,	Williams,
Graham,	Richards,	Wimberly.
Graves,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs :

Amiss,	Battle,	Bird,
Barrett,	Beall,	Boykin of Troup,

Brantley,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Owen,
Brown of Burke,	Hudson of Harris,	Parks,
Brown of Talbot,	Irvin,	Phillips,
Caldwell of Walker	Johnson of Cass,	Phinizy,
Cannon,	Johnson of Elbert,	Pickett,
Carlton,	Johnson of Henry,	Pruitt,
Cooper,	Jones of Muscogee,	Reid,
Cornwell,	King of Fayette,	Roberts,
Cunningham,	Kirkpatrick,	Sharman,
Daniel,	Lane,	Sinquefield,
Dawson,	Lewis of Greene,	Spinks,
Durden,	Lewis of Hancock,	Stephens,
Fields,	Lowe,	Tatom,
Gordon,	Maynor,	Terhune,
Griffith,	McCants,	Thornton,
Hale,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Ward,
Harris of Meriwe'r	M'Connel of Gord'n,	Warthen,
Harrison,	McLean,	Watts,
Haynie,	Montgomery,	Whitworth,
Headen,	Murphy,	Wiggins,
Henderson,	Myers,	Wynn.

So the bill was lost.

The bill to be entitled an act to provide for attachment in certain cases and for other purposes, together with a substitute reported therefor by the Judiciary Committee, which were the special order for to-day, were made the special order for the 6th of February.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Fredonia Academy in the county of Baker, and to appoint Trustees for the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorizeing the Inferior Court of Houston county to levy an extra tax for purposes therein mentioned. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the United Riflemen of the city of Columbus, and to extend to them certain privileges. Mr. Milledge proposed to amend the same by extending its provisions to the Richmond Huzzars, which was received. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to ratify the incorporation of Atlanta Loan and Building Association and to legalize the act thereof. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill

to be entitled an act to incorporate Summerville Academy in Emanuel county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the sixth section of an act to incorporate the Bank of Savannah. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the American Mining Company. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to provide for the selection of Grand and Petit Jurors in certain cases. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Island Creek Academy in the county of Hancock. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Atlanta Male College and to appoint Trustees for the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Hebron Presbyterian Church and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate New Lebanon Presbyterian Church in Franklin county, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Superior and Inferior Courts of Sumter county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor through Mr. de Graffenried, his Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Governor has approved and signed the following acts, to-wit :

An act for the relief of James Wright, jr., Jefferson Wright, and others, securities of Stephen Wright, formerly Tax Collector of Putnam county, from the payment of twenty per centum interest per annum, on an execution, issued by the Comptroller General of this State, against the said Stephen Wright, Tax Collector as aforesaid, and said James Wright, jr., and others, securities of the same, on the first day of October, 1855, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An act to authorize and empower Charles S. Arnold of the county of Chatham, to marry again, and for other purposes.

An act to amend the act incorporating the Georgia Military Institute and to appropriate money for the same.

Also a resolution relative to the death of the late Hon. John Macpherson Berrien.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker :—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit :

A bill for the relief of Henry Cox of the county of Washington.

A bill to vest that portion of land known as the State's reserve below the city of Macon, in the corporate authorities of said city.

A bill to alter and amend the fifteenth section of the fourteenth division of the Penal Code.

A bill to reduce the Sheriffs' bond of the counties of Pickens, Worth and Hart.

A bill to repeal an act to regulate the testimony of Attorneys at Law, approved February 21st, 1850.

A bill to protect the citizens of Worth, Richmond and Clinch counties from the injurious consequences of camp hunting by non-residents.

A bill amendatory of an act to secure a preference to persons in applications for grants under the laws pertaining to Head Rights, approved February 17th, 1854.

A bill in relation to the public records of counties where the same have been destroyed by fire, declaring that all deeds and other instruments in writing that have been recorded, shall be considered as having been recorded upon proof of execution and declaring what shall be proof of the contents of records so destroyed.

A bill to authorize the City Council of Savannah to appoint ten auctioneers or vendue masters.

A bill to authorize bills of sale to be proven, recorded, and admitted in evidence in certain cases.

A bill for the protection of the rights of Eugene Allen, a minor of the county of Troup

The Senate has also passed a bill of the House of Representatives to authorize Avner Burnam of Houston county, Guardian of James R. R. Haddock to settle with said ward, and for other purposes.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the Ogeechee Plank Road Company. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the Parks

Mining Company. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Methodist Episcopal Church at New Hope, Bullock county, and to appoint Trustees for the same.

Mr. Terhune offered to amend by adding an additional section incorporating the Floyd Springs Baptist Church, of Floyd county. The same was received. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to allow practicing Attorneys to serve as Justices of the Peace in Burke county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to appoint Trustees for Hall county Academy. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the the town of Fort Valley in Houston county, and to appoint Commissioners for the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Finch Mining Company, of Cherokee county, Georgia. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Salem Camp Ground in Newton county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to punish any person or persons obstructing Bull creek, in the county of Tatnall. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to legalize the revision of the jury boxes and the drawing of the grand and petit jurors of the county of Floyd, for the next term of the Superior Court of said county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Russellville Methodist Camp Ground, in Monroe county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the Committee on the bill to be entitled an act to give any Company a right to construct a Bridge across the Chattahoochee river in the

counties of Fulton and Cobb, on the old peers upon which the Western and Atlantic Railroad was built, which may be incorporated by the Inferior Courts of said counties or either of them on certain conditions. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Warrenton and Macon Railroad Company, and grant certain privileges, &c., upon the same, was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvement.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to extend the limits of the village of Cave Spring and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to compel all incorporated Mining Companies of this State, to give in and pay taxes on their stock in the counties where the Mines are located. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Superior and Inferior Courts in the county of Carroll. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Hopewell Academy in the county of Fayette, and appoint Trustees for the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to extend the provisions of an act regulating Magistrates' and Constables' fees in Bibb and Richmond counties, to the county of Fulton. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the Committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Southwestern Electro Magnetic Telegraph Company. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change the times of holding the Inferior Courts for the county of Catoosa. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The following message was received from the Senate by Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has adopted a resolution in relation to the exchange of the Muskets in the Arsenal at Savannah and Milledgeville for arms of newer model, in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of the

of the county of Gwinnett to pay the Sheriffs for summoning jurors and waiting on the Courts, and for other purposes.— The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to prevent camp hunting in the county of Lowndes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and on the question, shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 43, nays 59.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Harrell,	McLenan,
Brown of Burke,	Hilliard,	Mobley,
Browning,	Hughes,	Paris,
Burnett,	Johnson of Henry,	Porter,
Butts,	Jones of Lowndes,	Powell,
Cobb,	Julian,	Roberts,
Crook,	Kitchens,	Rumph,
Davis of Polk,	Lawton,	Sapp,
Dorminy,	Lewis of Hancock,	Simmons,
Edenfield,	Lowe,	Slocumb,
Faulk,	Maynor,	Smith of Bryan,
Fields,	McClary,	Smith of Tattnall,
Graham,	McConnell of Gord'n,	Thompson,
Graves,	McLean,	Wood,
Hale,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Richards,
Barrett,	Haynie,	Rozier,
Bartlett,	Headen,	Sharman,
Battle,	Hoyle,	Sinquefield,
Bird,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Solomon,
Boyd,	Hudson of Harris,	Spinks,
Boykin of Troup,	Johnson of Cass,	Stamper,
Brantley,	Johnson of Elbert,	Stephens,
Brown of Talbot,	Kirkpatrick,	Tatom,
Cannon,	Lewis of Greene,	Terhune,
Carlton,	McCants,	Thornton,
Cooper,	McConnel of Catoosa,	Walton,
Cornwell,	Montgomery,	Ward,
Cunningham,	Murphy,	Warthen,
Daniel,	Myers,	Watts,
Davis of Bibb,	Owen,	Whitworth,
Dozier,	Parks,	Williams,
Felton,	Phillips,	Wimberly,
Griffith,	Pickett,	Wynn,
Harris of Fulton,	Reid,	

So the bill was lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the

bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Board of Commissioners of Public Roads of the county of Bryan to carry on and transact business under certain circumstances and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act relative to the ungranted lands in Chatham county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to cede to the United States jurisdiction over certain territory within the limits of the city of Savannah. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to explain, and supplementary to an act entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of the county of Washington to levy and collect an extra tax for the purpose of building a court-house and jail, assented to, December 22d, 1855. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Cherokee Baptist Georgia Convention, and to confer upon said Corporation certain powers therein named, and for other purposes.—The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Mayor and Council of the city of Columbus to do certain acts therein named. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter and change the second section of an act incorporating the Dalton and Gadsden Railroad Company. The same was on motion, referred to the Committee on Internal Improvement,

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the seventh section of the act incorporating the city of Dalton in the county of Whitfield, assented to on the 20th day of December, 1853, so as to give the election of Marshal, Clerk and Treasurer of said city to the qualified voters of said city, and to require the Mayor of said city to make out and publish semi-annual reports of the financial operations of said city in each of the newspapers of said city, to provide for the election of a County Treasurer for the county of Whitfield by the qualified voters of said county and for other purposes therein mentioned. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to repeal the seventh section of an act entitled an act to amend the Road and Patrol laws of this State so far as relates to the county of Effingham. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Needle Woman's Friend Society. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the act incorporating the Lumpkin county Manufacturing Company, assented to the 24th day of December, 1840.

A substitute for the same bearing a similar title, was offered by Mr. Boyd and adopted. The report on the substitute was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Masonic Hall in the city of Savannah.

Mr. Hughes offered to amend by adding an additional section incorporating Union Lodge, No. 96, of Free and Accepted Masons, in the county of Liberty, and extend the provisions of this act to said corporation. The same was received. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Montgomery Camp-ground, in the county of Montgomery. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The following bills were ruled out of order by the Speaker, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to change the name of William Adams of Hart county to that of William Dooly, and legitimize the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate election precincts in the county of Pulaski.

A bill to be entitled an act to make valid the divorce of Mary E. Rice, alias Mary E. Arnett, and to legalize the subsequent marriage between her and Bradford T. Arnett ; to legitimize the issue by the latter marriage and for other purposes ;

And a bill to be entitled an act to divorce a certain person therein named.

Leave of absence for a few days was granted Messrs. Edenfield, Sharman, Murphy and Henderson.

The House then adjourned until 3½ o'clock P. M.

HALF PAST THREE O'CLOCK, P M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The following bills were reported and read the first time, viz :

Mr. Hoyte reported a bill to be entitled an act to change and amend the second section of an act entitled an act to regulate the advertising of Clerks, Sheriffs and other State and county officers, and to provide for the preservation of the newspapers containing said advertisements, and for other purposes, approved January 22d, 1852.

Mr. Stamper reported a bill to be entitled an act to indemnify O. P. Beall of the county of Randolph, for the loss of land granted a second time.

Mr. McLean reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to improve the navigation of Great Ogechee river so far as the appointment of new commissioners are concerned, by adding certain persons herein named to the commissioners in said act mentioned, approved February 7th, 1854.

Mr. Smith of Union reported a bill to be entitled an act to remove the Penitentiary of this State, to appropriate money for the same, and for other purposes therein mentioned ;

A bill to be entitled an act to add an additional section to the Penal Code of the State of Georgia.

Mr. McLean reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize an administrator to sell land out of the county where it lies.

The House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to create Pataula Circuit. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate the Brunswick and Florida Railroad Company, passed 22d Dec. 1835, and also to amend an act amendatory of the same, assented to 27th December, 1838. The report was agreed to, The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Terhune in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for certain purposes therein mentioned, and for other purposes. After some time spent therein, the committee arose, and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House with amendments.

Mr. Crook offered the original bill as a substitute for the bill as amended, and upon this called the previous question.

Upon the proposition to second the same, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 70, nays 22.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Hilliard,	Peterson,
Barrett,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Phillips,
Beall,	Irvin,	Phinzy,
Bird,	Johnson of Elbert,	Pickett,
Boyd,	Johnson of Henry,	Porter,
Boykin of Troup,	Jones of Lowndes,	Powell,
Brown of Camden,	Jones of Warren,	Roberts,
Browning,	Julian,	Rozier,
Burnett,	King of Fayette,	Rumph,
Caldwell of Walker,	King of McIntosh,	Slocumb,
Cannon,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Bryan,
Cobb,	Kitchens,	Smith of Clinch,
Cornwell,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Tattnell,
Crook,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Union,
Cunningham,	Lowe,	Spinks,
Davis of Polk,	Maynor,	Stamper,
Faulk,	McClary,	Stephens,
Fields,	McConnel of Gord'n	Swearingen,
Graham,	Milledge,	Thompson,
Graves,	Montgomery,	Wood,
Hale,	Myers,	Ward,
Harrell,	Pafford,	Warthen,
Harrison,	Parks,	Wynn.
Haynie,	Paris,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Brantley.	Hudson of Harris,	McLenan,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Cass,	Murphy,
Carlton,	Jones of Muscogee,	Owen,
Cooper,	Lane,	Richards,
Dorminy,	McCants,	Sharman,
Durden,	M Connel of Catoosa	Sinquefield,
Griffith,	McLean,	Whitworth,
Headen,		

So the previous question was seconded—to-wit, the question of agreeing to the substitute as the report of the committee, which was done. The bill was read the third time, and on the question, Shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded and are yeas 41, nays 58.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Crook,	Jones of Lowndes,
Barton,	Cunningham,	Jones of Warren,
Boyd,	Davis of Polk,	Julian,
Brown of Camden,	Fields,	Lewis of Greene,
Browning,	Graham,	Lewis of Hancock,
Burnett,	Graves,	McClary,
Caldwell of Walker	Haynie,	M'Connel of Catoosa
Cannon,	Hilliard,	McConnel of Gord'n
Cobb,	Johnson of Cass,	Milledge,

Pafford,	Roberts,	Stamper.
Paris.	Rumph,	Terhune.
Phillips,	Slocumb,	Thompson.
Pickett,	Smith of Clinch,	Wood,
Powell,	Smith of Union,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.:

Amiss.	Harrison,	Owen.
Bartlett,	Headen,	Parks,
Battle,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Peterson,
Beall.	Hudson of Harris	Phinzy,
Bird,	Irvin,	Richards,
Boykin of Troup,	Johnson of Elbert,	Rozier,
Brantley,	Johnson of Henry,	Sharman,
Brown of Burke,	Jones of Muscogee,	Simmons,
Brown of Talbot,	King of Fayette,	Sinquefield,
Carlton,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Bryan,
Cooper,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cornwell.	Kitchens,	Spinks,
Dorminy,	Lane.	Stephens,
Durden,	Maynor.	Swearingen,
Faulk,	McCants,	Thornton,
Graybill,	McLean,	Walton,
Griffith,	McLennan,	Ward,
Hale,	Montgomery,	Watts,
Harrell,	Murphy,	Whitworth,
Harris of Meriwe'r	Myers,	Wynn.

So the bill was lost.

On motion, the Senate resolution in relation to arms at the Arsenal in Savannah and Milledgeville, was taken up, amended by inserting the words "and ordinance," and concurred in.

A bill to be entitled an act to create a new Judicial Circuit of Clinch, Ware, &c., and provide for the appointment and election of Judge and Solicitor for the same, which was a bill of the Senate, was read the second time, and made the special order for February 4th, 1856.

The joint resolution from the Senate, fixing the 20th instant as the period when the present General Assembly shall adjourn sine die, was taken up and concurred in.

Mr. Irvin offered the following resolution, which on motion, was taken up, read and adopted, viz :

Resolved, That all the rules of this House in reference to adjournment, be rescinded after to-day, and that the following rule be adopted in lieu thereof, to-wit : The House shall meet every morning at 10 o'clock, and sit until 1½; meet in the afternoon at half past 3, and sit until 5; meet again in the evening at 7, and adjourn at 9, and that the night sessions shall be confined to the reading bills the 1st and 2d time, and local bills the third time, until otherwise ordered.

The following bills of the Senate were read the first time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Lee and Randolph, to repeal an act entitled an act to make permanent the public site in the county of Lee at Starkville, and to incorporate the same, to designate the corporate limits thereof, to appoint commissioners for the same, and to define their powers, approved December 26th, 1851, and to provide for the selection of a new county site, and for other purposes herein mentioned, approved Feb. 7th, 1854, to locate permanently the public site of the county of Lee at Starkville, to compensate the lot owners of the town of Webster, and for other purposes herein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank in the town of Athens, to be called the Bank of Athens.

A bill to be entitled an act to prescribe the mode of taxing costs in the Supreme Court of this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to give endorsers the control of fi fas in all cases in which they may have paid them off against the principal or any prior endorser.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Burke to issue bonds for the purpose of enabling them to build the new Court-house of said county and other public buildings.

A bill to be entitled an act to permit practicing Attorneys to hold the office and discharge the duties of Justices of the Peace in this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to make legal the election of James Bush to the office of Ordinary of Early county, and to legalize the acts of John J. Pilcher, Deputy Ordinary of the county of Warren.

A bill to be entitled an act to expedite suits of law and equity in certain cases, and for other purposes.

And a bill to alter and amend the 12th section of the 2d article of the Constitution of this State, so as to give the election of Secretary of State, Treasurer and Surveyor General to the people.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Mobley for a few days on account of the illness of his family.

The report on the Academy for the Blind was taken up, and on motion of Mr. Phillips, referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Phillips, Fields, and Davis of Bibb.

The House then adjourned until 10 o'clock Monday morning.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Harris of Meriwether, so much of the Journals of Saturday as relates to the refusal of the House to concur in the report of the Committee of Conference in regard to the subjects of difference between the Senate and House of Representatives, growing out of certain amendments to the General Appropriation Bill, was reconsidered.

The following message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit :

A bill declaring who are qualified and liable to serve as jurors in criminal cases, regulating the manner of empanelling a jury in such cases, declaring who are competent jurors, and the mode of ascertaining such competency, and for other purposes.

A bill to amend the tenth section of the thirteenth division of the Penal Code.

A bill to add an additional section to the ninth division of the Penal Code.

A bill to authorize persons to submit controversies to arbitration, declaring how arbitrators shall be chosen, prescribing their powers, regulating the manner in which their proceedings shall be conducted, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to repeal a portion of the second section of an act entitled an act to change the lines between the counties of Monroe and Crawford, and also to change the lines between other counties therein mentioned, approved February 13th, 1854.

A bill to prevent railroad agents from shipping their grain on the Western and Atlantic Railroad, in preference and to the injury of other persons, and to punish them for the same.

Mr. Milledge moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of Saturday as relates to the rejection of the bill to be entitled an act to lend the aid of the State to the Brunswick and Florida Railroad Company and the Savannah, Albany and Gulf Railroad Company, upon certain conditions therein named.

The yeas and nays upon this proposition were required to be recorded, and are yeas 67, nays 52.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Burnett,	Dozier,
Bartlett,	Butts,	Faulk,
Boyd,	Cannon,	Felton,
Bradford,	Cobb,	Graves,
Brown of Burke,	Crook,	Graybill,
Brown of Camden,	Davis of Polk,	Harrell,
Browning,	Dorminy,	Harris of Fulton,

Haynie,	McLenan,	Smith of Bryan
Headen,	Milledge,	Smith of Clinch
Hilliard,	Pafford,	Smith of Tattall,
Hoyle,	Paris,	Smith of Union.
Hughes,	Peterson,	Stamper,
Johnson of Cass,	Phillips,	Swearingen,
Jones of Lowndes,	Pickett,	Taylor,
Jones of Warren,	Powell,	Terhune,
Julian,	Richards,	Tharpe,
King of McIntosh,	Rozier,	Thompson,
Kitchens,	Rumph,	Wood,
Lawton,	Sapp,	Walton,
Lewis of Hancock,	Simmons,	Warthen,
Matthews,	Slocumb,	Williams,
McClary,	Solomon,	Wimberly,
McLean,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Griffith,	Montgomery,
Battle,	Hale,	Myers,
Beall,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	Owen,
Bird,	Harrison,	Parks,
Boykin of Troup,	Henderson,	Phinizy,
Brantley,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Reid,
Brown of Talbot,	Hudson of Harris,	Roberts,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Elbert,	Sinquefield,
Carlton,	Johnson of Henry,	Spinks,
Cooper,	Jones of Muscogee,	Stephens,
Cornwell,	King of Fayette,	Tatom,
Cunningham,	Lane,	Thornton,
Daniel,	Lowe,	Ward,
Dawson,	Maynor,	Watts,
Durden,	McCants,	Whitworth,
Fields,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Wiggins,
Gordon,	M'Connel of Gordon,	Wynn,
Graham,		

So the motion to reconsider prevailed.

Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Irvin, Barton, Anderson, Bird and Amiss, for a few days on special business.

The Committee on Banks, to whom was referred a bill to incorporate a Bank to be called the Bank of Morgain, report the same back with amendments, and recommend its passage.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to create a new Circuit of Clinch, Ware, &c., and provide for the appointment of and election of a Judge for the same, which was the special order for today, and pending the discussion thereon, the House adjourned until 3½ o'clock P. M.

HALF PAST THREE O'CLOCK, P M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and resumed the unfinished business of the morning, to-wit, a bill to be entitled an act to create a new Judicial Circuit of Clinch, Ware, &c., to provide for the appointment of Judge and Solicitor for the same.

The following amendments were offered by Mr. Lawton, and received, viz: Amend the caption by the following words—"to add certain counties to the Eastern Judicial District, and fix the times of holding the Courts in the same."

Add to the 6th section—"And the several Courts in the Eastern Judicial District shall be held as follows, to-wit :

In the county of Montgomery, on the Thursdays before the third Monday in March and the fourth Monday in October.

In the county of Tattnall, on the third Monday in March and fourth Monday in October.

In the county of Bulloch, on the Friday after the third Monday in March and fourth Monday in October.

In the county of Effingham, on the fourth Monday in March and Monday after the fourth Monday in October.

In the county of McIntosh, on the Thursday after the second Monday in April and fourth Monday in November.

In the county of Liberty, on the third Monday in April and the Monday after the fourth Monday in November.

In the county of Bryan, on the Thursday after the sessions in the county of Liberty.

And all processes now issued to be returned to those Courts at the terms as heretofore fixed by law, shall now be returned to said Courts as provided in this act."

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 64, nays 24.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Dawson,	Hilliard,
Bartlett,	Dozier,	Hudson of Harris,
Bradford,	Felton,	Johnson of Cass,
Brown of Burke,	Gordon,	Jones of Lowndes,
Browning,	Graham,	Jones of Muscogee,
Burnett,	Graves,	Jones of Warren,
Butts,	Graybill,	King of Fayette,
Caldwell of Walker,	Hale,	Lane,
Carlton,	Harrell,	Lowe,
Cobb,	Harris of Fulton,	Matthews,
Cornwell,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	McClary,
Crook,	Harrison,	M'Connel of Catoosa,
Davis of Polk,	Haynie,	McLenan,

Pafford,	Slocumb,	Terhune,
Parks,	Smith of Clinch,	Tharpe,
Paris,	Smith of Tattnall,	Thompson,
Peterson,	Smith of Union,	Wood,
Phillips,	Stamper,	Walton,
Pickett,	Swearingen,	Ward,
Porter,	Tatom,	Warthen,
Richards,	Taylor,	Williams,
Rozier,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Headen,	Phinizy,
Battle,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Roberts,
Beall,	Johnson of Henry,	Rumph,
Boyd,	Julian,	Simmons,
Brown of Camden,	King of McIntosh,	Sinquefield,
Cannon,	Kitchens,	Solomon,
Cooper,	Maynor,	Smith of Bryan,
Cunningham,	McConnel of Gord'n	Spinks,
Dorminy,	McLean,	Stephens,
Durden,	Montgomery	Whitworth,
Fields,	Myers,	Wynn.
Griffith,		

So the bill was passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Lookout Railroad Company, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Sapp offered the following amendment, which was received, viz: Provided that nothing herein granted shall interfere in any manner with the rights and privileges heretofore granted to the Gadsden and Dalton Railroad Company.

Mr. Crook also offered the following, which was also received, viz: Provided that nothing herein granted shall interfere in any manner whatever with the rights and privileges heretofore granted to the Coosa and Chattooga River Railroad Company.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act entitled an act to authorize Abner Burnam of Houston county, as Guardian of James R. R. Haddock, to settle with and pay over to his ward's estate, and for other purposes therein named.

The bill to be entitled an act to amend an act passed 18th February, 1854, for the purpose of defining the duties of Ordinaries in ascertaining the number of poor school children, payment of teachers, and the payment for children in different counties, &c., was on motion of Mr. Hale, referred

to a special committee, consisting of Messrs. Hale, Lewis of Hancock, and Crook.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has agreed to a resolution appointing a committee, consisting of Messrs. Knight, Guerry and McIntosh, to join such Committee as may be appointed on the part of the House, to attend the funeral of the Hon. A. J. Miller, late Senator from the county of Richmond, to which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Milledge, the resolution of the Senate was taken up and concurred in, and Messrs. Jones of Muscogee, Dawson and Crook were appointed to join the Committee on the part of the Senate, to attend the funeral of A. J. Miller, and the Clerk was directed to communicate the same forthwith to the Senate.

The House then adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Siquuefield and Tharpe for a few days on account of ill health.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Weems, their Secretary pro tem :

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have elected John B. Weems of the county of Wilkes, their Secretary pro tempore.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Weems, their Secretary pro tem :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has agreed to certain resolutions relative to the death of the Hon. Andrew J. Miller, late Senator from the county of Richmond, in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives, which I am directed to transmit forthwith to the House of Representatives.

The following resolution of the Senate was on motion of Mr. Milledge, taken up, read and unanimously agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That the intelligence of the death of the Hon. Andrew J. Miller, late a member of the Senate from the county of Richmond, is received with deep concern and regret by this body. That the distinguished and useful public services of the deceased in the various eminent positions that he has occupied, no less than his private worth, has rendered his name dear to the hearts of his countrymen. Hon-

est as man, just and able as a lawyer, wise and patriotic as a statesman.

We will not approach the grief and anguish of the widow and orphans. We leave them to the merciful protection of the great Author of our being, who, in his wise but inscrutable providence, has caused the bereavement, and to the consolations of that religion that brought life and immortality to light. Our warmest sympathies are with them in their affliction.

That we will wear the usual badge of mourning during the continuance of the Session ; that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased, and also entered upon the Journals of the Senate.

A. POPE, Jr.	}	Committee.
F. H. CONE,		
S. A. WALES,		
J. DUNAGAN,		
J. WINGFIELD.		

The House, on motion of Mr. Milledge, adjourned until 10 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and resumed the unfinished business of Monday, to-wit :

The report of the Committee of Conference on certain amendments to the appropriation bill made by the Senate. Upon the question of agreeing to the same, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 53, nays 50.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Harrison,	Pruitt,
Barrett,	Headen,	Richards,
Beall,	Hoyle,	Roberts,
Bradford,	Hudson of Gwin'tt	Rozier,
Brown of Burke,	Hudson of Harris,	Simmons,
Brown of Camden,	Hughes,	Slocumb,
Browning,	Jones of Lowndes,	Solomon,
Caldwell of Walker,	Jones of Warren,	Smith of Union,
Cobb,	Julian,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Kilgore,	Swearingen,
Crook,	King of Fayette,	Terhune,
Davis of Polk,	King of McIntosh,	Thompson,
Dawson,	McClary,	Wood,
Dozier,	M'Connel of Gordon	Ward,
Faulk,	Parks,	Warthen,
Fields,	Phillips,	Whitworth.
Griffith,	Porter,	Wynn,
Harrell,	Powell,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Bartlett,	Hill,	Peterson,
Battle,	Hilliard,	Phmizy,
Boyd,	Johnson of Cass,	Pickett,
Brantley,	Johnson of Henry,	Rumph,
Burnett,	Jones of Muscogee,	Sapp,
Butts,	Lowe,	Smith of Bryan,
Cannon,	Mathews,	Smith of Tattall,
Cornwell,	Maynor,	Spinks,
Daniel,	McCants,	Stamper.
Durden,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Tatom,
Gordon,	McLean,	Thornton,
Graham,	McLenan,	Walton,
Graves,	Montgomery,	Watts,
Graybill,	Myers,	Wiggins,
Hale,	Owen,	Williams,
Harris of Fulton,	Pafford,	Wimberly,
Haynie,	Paris,	

So the report was agreed to, and on motion of Mr. Phillips, the Clerk was instructed to inform the Senate thereof without delay.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Boykin, Smith of Clinch, Cunningham and Brown of Talbot, for a few days on account of indisposition.

The bill to be entitled an act to provide for attachment in certain cases, which was the special order for to-day, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. Crook, made the special order for Tuesday next.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Weems, their Secretary pro tempore:

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit:

A bill to define the line between the counties of Gordon and Floyd.

A bill to compensate the Grand Jurors of the county of Baker.

A bill to confer certain privileges upon James J. Boyett of the county of Randolph, and to authorize him to transact business on his own account as though he were of full age.

A bill to incorporate a Bank in the city of Macon to be called the Middle Bank of Georgia.

A bill to incorporate the city of Greensboro' and to provide for its Government.

A bill for the relief of Barnard Dugan of the county of Fulton.

A bill to incorporate a Bank in the town of Bainbridge to be called the Southern Bank of Georgia.

Also, a bill to incorporate a bank in the town of Greensboro' to be called the Bank of Greensboro'.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled, signed by the President of the Senate, and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to create a new Judicial District to be called Pataula Circuit.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Weems, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has agreed to a resolution appointing a committee of five to join a like committee on the part of the House to report to the Representative branch of the General Assembly, a bill authorizing the construction of a Main Trunk Railway from the Chattahoochee river, to such point as may to them seem eligible, and have appointed on their part Messrs. Spalding, Cone of Greene, Screven, Atkinson and Lawton.

The Senate has also passed a bill to protect and confer upon charitable societies certain privileges and make them bodies corporate and politic, with report and resolutions accompanying the same, in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has also concurred in the amendments of the House of Representatives to the bill of the Senate creating a new Judicial Circuit to be called the Brunswick Circuit.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the building, opening and constructing a railroad from some point in the county of Union or in the county of Fannin, which may be agreed upon by the Directors of said railroad, or a majority of them hereinafter mentioned, running up the valley of Little Hightower river in the county of Union, to connect with the Northeastern Railroad (now contemplated) in the county of Rabun or Habersham, or with some other railroad or contemplated railroad, and to grant corporate powers and privileges to the same. Mr. Pickett moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed, and upon this proposition the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 13, nays 83.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Cornwell,	Harris of Fulton,	Stephens,
Davis of Polk,	Milledge,	Tatom,
Felton,	Phinizy,	Thornton,
Griffith,	Pickett,	Whitworth,
Hale,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Bradford,	Caldwell of Walker
Barrett,	Brantley,	Cannon,
Barron,	Brown of Camden,	Cobb,
Bartlett,	Browning,	Cooper,
Beall,	Burnett,	Crook,
Boyd,	Butts,	Daniel,

Dawson,	Lowe,	Rozier,
Dorminy,	Matthews,	Rumph,
Durden,	Maynor,	Sapp,
Faulk,	McCants,	Simmons,
Fields,	McClary,	Slocumb,
Graham,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Solomon,
Graves,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Smith of Tattall,
Graybill,	McLean,	Smith of Union,
Harrell,	McLenan,	Spinks,
Haynie,	Montgomery,	Stamper,
Headen,	Myers,	Swearingen,
Hill,	Owen,	Taylor,
Hoyle,	Parks,	Terhune,
Hudson of Gwinnett,	Paris,	Thompson,
Hughes,	Peterson,	Wood,
Johnson of Cass,	Phillips,	Ward,
Johnson of Henry,	Porter,	Warthen,
Jones of Lowndes,	Powell,	Watts,
Jones of Warren,	Pruitt,	Wiggins,
Julian,	Reid,	Williams,
King of Fayette,	Richards,	Wimberly,
King of McIntosh,	Roberts,	Wynn,
Kitchens,		

So the motion to postpone was lost.

Mr. Pickett then offered to amend by reserving to the State the right to repeal said charter should it be likely to result injuriously to her interests, and upon the question of its reception required the yeas and nays to be recorded.—There are yeas 27, nays 65.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Battle,	Griffith,	Phinzy,
Brantley,	Hill,	Pickett,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Cass,	Roberts,
Carlton,	Julian,	Spinks,
Cooper,	Maynor,	Stephens,
Cornwell,	McLenan,	Tatom,
Davis of Polk,	Milledge,	Thornton,
Felton,	Parks,	Wood,
Fields,	Phillips,	Whitworth,
Graybill,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Burnett,	Dorminy,
Barrett,	Butts,	Durden,
Barron,	Caldwell of Walker,	Faulk,
Bartlett,	Cannon,	Graves,
Beall,	Cobb,	Hale,
Bradford,	Crook,	Harrell,
Brown of Burke,	Daniel,	Harrison,
Browning,	Dawson,	Haynie,

Headen,	McClary,	Slocumb,
Hilliard,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Solomon,
Hoyle,	McLean,	Smith of Tattnall,
Hudson of Gwin'tt.	Myers,	Smith of Union,
Johnson of Henry,	Pafford,	Stamper,
Jones of Muscogee,	Paris,	Swearingen,
Jones of Warren,	Peterson,	Taylor,
Kilgore,	Powell,	Terhune,
King of McIntosh,	Pruitt,	Thompson,
Kitchens,	Reid,	Ward,
Lane,	Richards,	Wiggins,
Lowe,	Rumph,	Williams,
Matthews,	Sapp,	Wimberly.
McCants,	Simmons,	Wynn.

So the same was not received.

Mr. Pickett also, proposed the following amendment, viz :

Provided that said Railroad shall connect with the North-eastern Railroad at a point south of Clarksville.

Previous to any action thereon, the House adjourned until 3½ o'clock, P. M.

HALF PAST THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and resumed the unfinished business of the morning.

The yeas and nays were required to be recorded on the question of receiving the amendment of Mr. Pickett, and are yeas 47, nays 48.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs :

Amiss,	Harris of Fulton,	Phillips,
Bartlett,	Harris of Meriwe'r	Pickett,
Battle,	Harrison,	Richards,
Beall,	Headen,	Roberts,
Boyd,	Hudson of Harris,	Solomon,
Brown of Burke,	Johnson of Cass,	Smith of Bryan,
Carlton,	Johnson of Henry,	Smith of Hancock,
Cooper,	King of Fayette,	Spinks,
Cornwell,	Lane,	Stephens,
Daniel,	Matthews,	Tatom,
Dawson,	Maynor,	Thornton.
Felton,	M'Connel of Gord'n,	Wood,
Fields,	McLenan,	Walton,
Graham,	Milledge,	Warthen,
Griffeth,	Owen,	Watts,
Hale,	Parks,	Whitworth,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs :

Barron,	Browning,	Caldwell of Walker
Bradford,	Burnett,	Cannon,

Cobb,	Jones of Lowndes,	Reid,
Crook,	Kilgore,	Rozier,
Dorminy,	King of McIntosh,	Rumph,
Dozier,	Kitchens,	Slocumb,
Durder,	McCants,	Smith of Tattnall,
Faulk,	McClary,	Smith of Union,
Graves,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Stamper,
Graybill,	McLean,	Swearingen,
Harrell,	Myers,	Taylor,
Haynie,	Pafford,	Thompson,
Hill,	Paris,	Ward,
Hilliard,	Peterson,	Wiggins,
Hudson of Gwinnett	Powell,	Williams,
Hughes,	Pruitt,	Wynn.

So the same was not received.

Mr. Speaker—The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker—

An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Brunswick and Florida Railroad Company, passed 22d December, 1835, and also, to amend an act amendatory of the same, assented to 27th December, 1838.

The House adjourned until 7, P. M.

SEVEN, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Cunningham, Julian, Watts and Barrett, for a few days on account of illness or special business.

On motion, the House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change, define and limit the time of holding the Superior Courts of the counties of Crawford, Twiggs, Macon and Dooly, which was a bill of the Senate. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed. The same was ordered to be transmitted to the Senate without delay.

The House took up the resolution of the Senate relative to the appointment of a joint committee for the purpose of reporting a bill authorizing the construction of a Main Trunk Railway from the Chattahoochee river to such point as to them may seem most eligible.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee offered the following amendment, which was received, viz: "From such point as may seem eligible to them, on or near the eastern border of this State, to such point on or near the western as will connect the Gulf with the Atlantic by the best route"—the same to be inserted after the word "Railway."

Mr. Harris offered the following amendment, which was also received, viz: And said Committee are hereby required to report in pursuance of this resolution at farthest by Monday, the 13th instant.

The same as amended was concurred in, and ordered to be immediately transmitted to the Senate.

Messrs. Jones of Muscogee, Lawton, Burnett, and Lewis of Hancock, are the Committee of the House appointed by virtue of said resolution.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled, signed by the President of the Senate and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to create a new Judicial Circuit of Clinch, Ware, &c., and provide for the appointment and election of Judge and Solicitor for the same, and to add certain counties to the Eastern Judicial District, and fix the times of holding Courts in the same.

The following Message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit:

A bill to authorize the Ordinary of Taylor county to pay to James P. Rossan and Wm. A. Graham certain sums of money therein specified.

A bill to authorize Wm. B. Wofford to build a mill-dam across the Conasauga river on his own land.

A bill to change the mode of executors, administrators and guardians in making their returns to Ordinaries.

A bill to change the time of the meeting of the General Assembly of the State of Georgia.

A bill to compensate the Grand and Petit Jurors of the county of Talbot.

A bill to authorize and require interest to be recovered on open accounts.

A bill to authorize Thomas H. Hall of the county of Baldwin, and Pliny Sheffield, Jr., of the county of Thomas, minors, to transact business on their own account.

A bill to incorporate a bank in the city of Atlanta to be called the Bank of Fulton.

A bill to incorporate the Georgia Air-Line Railroad Company, and to confer certain powers and privileges therein specified.

A bill to explain and amend an act to regulate the mode

of suing the bonds of executors, administrators and guardians, approved January 15th, 1852.

Mr. Ward offered the following resolutions, which were on motion taken up, read and adopted, viz :

Resolved, That the use of this Hall be tendered to Professor Lee, Agricultural Professor of the Terrell Professorship, at 7½ o'clock this evening for the purpose of delivering a lecture on the subject of agriculture and other subjects connected therewith.

Whereas many of the accounts of the Tax Collectors of some of the counties of this State remain open on the books of the Comptroller General, some of them since the year 1843, and up to the present time, and a large sum of money is apparently outstanding and unsettled, which is due the State—

Be it therefore Resolved, That a Committee of five be appointed to examine the books, bonds, and other papers in the Comptroller General's office, and report to this House, what action, if any, is necessary to be taken.

Messrs. Ward, Thompson, McLean, Johnson of Cass and Fields, were appointed under the latter of said resolutions.

The consideration of the unfinished business of yesterday was then resumed.

Mr. Pickett offered to amend by the following, viz :

“Provided that this road shall not at any time connect with any road running to Charleston, South Carolina, other than by the way of Augusta, and any such connection shall operate as a forfeiture of this charter.

Upon the question of receiving the same, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 55, nays 56.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Graybill,	Montgomery,
Bartlett,	Griffith,	Owen,
Battle,	Hale,	Phillips,
Beall,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Phinizy,
Boyd,	Harrison,	Pickett,
Brantley,	Hill,	Porter,
Brown of Burke,	Hudson of Harris,	Roberts,
Butts,	Johnson of Cass,	Sapp,
Carlton,	Johnson of Henry,	Sharman,
Causey,	Jones of Muscogee,	Smith of Bryan,
Cooper,	Kilgore,	Spinks,
Cornwell,	Kirkpatrick,	Stephens,
Daniel,	Lane,	Tatom,
Davis of Polk,	Lowe,	Thornton,
Dawson,	Matthews,	Wood,
Felton,	Maynor,	Warthen,
Fields,	McConnel of Gord'n	Whitworth,
Gordon,	Milledge,	Wiggins,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Hoyle,	Reid,
Barron,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Richards,
Bradford,	Hughes,	Rumph,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Carroll,	Simmons,
Browning,	Jones of Lowndes,	Slocumb,
Burnett,	Jones of Warren,	Solomon,
Caldwell of Walker,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Clinch,
Cannon,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Hancock,
Cobb,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Tattnall,
Crook,	McCants,	Smith of Union,
Dorminy,	McClary,	Stamper,
Dozier,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Swearingen,
Durden,	McLenan,	Taylor,
Faulk,	Myers,	Terhune,
Graham,	Pafford,	Thompson,
Graves,	Paris,	Ward,
Harrell,	Peterson,	Williams,
Haynie,	Powell,	Wynn.
Hilliard,	Pruitt,	

So the same was not received.

The previous question was demanded and seconded.—
The report of the committee was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and the yeas and nays being required to be recorded on the passage thereof, there are yeas 55, nays 57.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Hilliard,	Reid,
Barron,	Hoyle,	Richards,
Beall,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Rumph,
Bradford,	Hughes,	Simmons,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Carroll,	Slocumb,
Browning,	Jones of Lowndes,	Smith of Clinch,
Burnett,	Jones of Warren,	Smith of Tattnall,
Caldwell of Walker,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Union,
Cannon,	King of McIntosh,	Stamper,
Cobb,	McClary,	Swearingen,
Crook,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Taylor,
Dorminy,	McLean,	Terhune,
Dozier,	Myers,	Thompson,
Durden,	Pafford,	Wood,
Faulk,	Paris,	Ward,
Graves,	Peterson,	Warthen,
Harrell,	Powell,	Williams,
Haynie,	Pruitt,	Wynn,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Boyd,	Butts,
Bartlett,	Brantley,	Carlton,
Battle,	Brown of Burke,	Causey,

Cooper,	Hudson of Harris,	Phillips,
Cornwell,	Johnson of Cass,	Phinizy,
Daniel,	Johnson of Henry,	Pickett,
Davis of Polk,	Jones of Muscogee,	Roberts,
Dawson,	Kilgore,	Sapp,
Felton,	Kirkpatrick,	Sharman,
Fields,	Lane,	Solomon,
Gordon,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Bryan
Graham,	Lowe,	Smith of Hancock,
Graybill,	Matthews,	Spinks,
Griffith,	Maynor,	Stephens,
Hale,	M'Connel of Gordon	Tatom,
Harris of Fulton,	McLennan,	Thornton,
Harris of Meriwe'r,	Milledge,	Walton,
Harrison,	Montgomery,	Whitworth,
Hill,	Owen,	Wiggins,

So the bill was lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled a act for the relief of Joseph Landrum of the county of Oglethorpe. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and upon the question, Shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 62, nays 35.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	Porter,
Avery,	Harrison,	Pruitt,
Battle,	Hilliard,	Reid,
Boyd,	Hudson of Harris,	Richards,
Brantley,	Johnson of Cass,	Roberts,
Brown of Camden,	Jones of Lowndes,	Rumph,
Burnett,	Kilgore,	Slocumb,
Caldwell of Walker,	King of Fayette,	Solomon,
Cannon,	Lane,	Smith of Bryan,
Carlton,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Clinch,
Cobb,	Lowe,	Smith of Hancock,
Crook,	Matthews,	Smith of Tatt'nall,
Dorminy,	McClary,	Spinks,
Dozier,	McConnel of Gord'n	Taylor,
Durden,	Milledge,	Thompson,
Faulk,	Pafford,	Wood,
Felton,	Paris,	Ward,
Fields,	Peterson,	Warthen,
Graham,	Phillips,	Whitworth,
Griffith,	Phinizy,	Wiggins,
Harrell,	Pickett,	Wynn.

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Bartlett,	Brown of Burke,	Causey,
Beall,	Browning,	Cooper,
Bradford,	Butts,	Cornwell,

Daniel,	Johnson of Henry,	Powell,
Davis of Polk,	Jones of Muscogee,	Rozier,
Dawson,	King of McIntosh,	Sapp,
Graves,	Kirkpatrick,	Sharman,
Hale,	Maynor,	Simmons,
Harris of Fulton,	M Connel of Catoosa,	Stephens,
Hill,	McLean,	Terhune,
Hoyle,	McLenan,	Walton,
Hudson of Gwinnett,	Montgomery,	Williams,
Johnson of Carroll,	Myers,	

So the same was passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Fields in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Treasurer to pay over to the Ordinary of Chatahoochee county the poor school fund for the year 1854. After some time spent therein, the committee arose, and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to, The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the Committee on the bill to be entitled an act to regulate criminal proceedings, fees of Attorneys and Solicitors General, and to repeal all laws authorizing the settlement of criminal cases and to make penal the same, and to vest the discretion exercised by the Judges of the Superior Courts in the Juries, and for other purposes. The report of the Judiciary Committee adverse to the passage of the same, was agreed to, and the bill was therefore lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to establish the right of any person or persons, and of administrators, executors and guardians, claiming an undivided interest in land, to maintain a separate action of ejectment for the same. The Committee on the Judiciary reported as a substitute therefor, a bill to be entitled an act to allow any joint tenants, tenant in common, or any person having a part interest in lands or tenements, to maintain a separate action of ejectment or trespass, and for other purposes. The same was adopted. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has concurred in the amendments of the House of Representatives to the Resolution of the Senate in relation to the appointment of a joint committee to report a bill to the Representative branch of the General Assembly, for the construction of a Main Trunk Railway through the State.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Osborne J. Register of the county of Fulton.

Mr. Warthen offered the following amendment, which was received, viz :

Be it further enacted, That the Ordinary of Washington county be and he is hereby authorized to pay to David E. Cumming the sum due him for teaching poor children in the year 1854, out of any surplus on hand.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Crook in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John Huie of the county of Fayette. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment.

The Committee to whom the same was referred, reported as a substitute therefor a bill of the same title, which was adopted. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded. There are yeas 64, nays 31.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Hill,	Paris,
Avery,	Hilliard,	Peterson,
Battle,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Phillips,
Beall,	Hudson of Harris	Pickett,
Boyd,	Hughes,	Porter,
Bradford,	Jones of Lowndes,	Powell,
Burnett,	Kilgore,	Pruitt,
Butts,	King of Fayette,	Reid,
Caldwell of Walker	Kirkpatrick,	Richards,
Cannon,	Lane,	Roberts,
Carlton,	Lewis of Hancock,	Sapp,
Crook,	Matthews,	Simmons,
Davis of Polk,	Maynor,	Smith of Clinch,
Dorminy,	McClary,	Smith of Hancock,
Faulk,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Stamper,
Fields,	McConnel of Goid'n	Wood,
Graham,	McLean,	Ward,
Graves,	Milledge,	Warthen,
Griffith,	Montgomery,	Whitworth,
Hale,	Pafford,	Wiggins,
Harrell,	Parks,	Wynn.
Harris of Meriwe'r		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Brown of Burke,	Dawson,	Hoyle,
Causey,	Dozier,	Johnson of Carroll,
Cobb,	Graybill,	Johnson of Cass,
Cooper,	Harris of Fulton,	Johnson of Henry,
Cornwell.	Harrison,	Jones of Muscogee,
Daniel,	Haynie,	Jones of Warren,

McLenan,	Slocumb,	Swearingen,
Myers,	Solomon,	Taylor,
Rozier,	Smith of Tattall,	Terhune,
Rumph,	Spinks,	Walton,
Sharman,	Stephens,	

So the bill was passed.

The House then adjourned until 3½ o'clock P. M.

HALF PAST THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to give to defendants damages for frivolous suits against them. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize Rufus Barker of the county of Floyd to practise medicine, and to sue and collect for the same. The bill was so amended as to extend the privileges mentioned to certain other persons.

Mr. Sharman moved the indefinite postponement of the bill and amendments.

The yeas and nays were required to be recorded upon this proposition, and are yeas 47, nays 58.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barron,	Faulk,	Peterson,
Battle,	Graybill,	Porter,
Beall,	Griffith,	Reid,
Bradtord,	Harrell,	Rozier,
Brantley,	Harris of Fulton,	Rumph,
Brown of Burke,	Harrison,	Sharman,
Brown of Camden,	Hilliard,	Simmons,
Browning,	Hughes,	Smith of Clinch,
Carlton,	Kilgore,	Spinks,
Causey,	King of Fayette,	Swearingen,
Cobb,	King of McIntosh,	Taylor,
Crook,	Kirkpatrick,	Thompson,
Dawson,	Matthews,	Thornton,
Dorminy,	Maynor,	Walton,
Dozier,	Owen,	Ward,
Durden,	Pafford,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Cannon,	Fields,
Bartlett,	Cooper,	Graham,
Boyd,	Daniel,	Graves,
Burnett,	Davis of Polk,	Hale,
Butts,	Felton,	Harris of Meriwe'r,

Haynie,	McClary,	Roberts,
Headen,	M'Connel of Catôosa,	Sapp,
Hill,	McConnel of Gord'u,	Solomon,
Hudson of Gwin'tt,	McLean,	Smith of Bryan,
Hudson of Harris,	McLennan,	Smith of Tatttnall,
Johnson of Carroll,	Milledge,	Stamper,
Johnson of Cass,	Montgomery,	Stephens,
Johnson of Henry,	Myers,	Tatom,
Jones of Muscogee,	Parks,	Terhune,
Jones of Warren,	Phillips,	Wood,
Kitchens,	Phinizy,	Warthen,
Lane,	Pickett,	Whitworth,
Lewis of Hancock,	Powell,	Wiggins,
Lowe,	Pruitt,	Williams.
McCants,		

So the motion to lay on the table was lost.

The report as amended was agreed to.

Mr. Crook then moved that the bill as amended be made the special order for the 4th of July next.

The yeas and nays were required to be recorded on this motion, and are yeas 51, nays 55.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Durden,	Pafford,
Barron,	Faulk,	Parks,
Bartlett,	Fields,	Peterson,
Battle,	Graybill,	Porter,
Bradford,	Griffith,	Reid,
Brantley,	Harrell,	Roberts,
Brown of Burke,	Harris of Fulton,	Rozier,
Brown of Camden,	Harrison,	Rumph,
Brown of Talbot,	Hilliard,	Sharman.
Browning,	Jones of Lowndes,	Simmons,
Caldwell of Walker,	Kilgore,	Spinks,
Carlton,	King of Fayette,	Swearingen,
Causey,	King of McIntosh,	Taylor.
Cobb,	Kirkpatrick,	Thornton,
Crook,	Matthews,	Walton,
Dawson,	Maynor,	Ward,
Dozier,	Owen,	Wynn.

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Gordon,	Johnson of Carroll,
Boyd,	Graves,	Johnson of Cass,
Burnett,	Hale,	Johnson of Henry,
Butts,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Jones of Muscogee,
Cannon,	Haynie,	Jones of Warren,
Cooper,	Headen,	Kitchens,
Daniel,	Hill,	Lane,
Davis of Polk.	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Lewis of Hancock,
Felton,	Hudson of Harris,	Lowe,

McCants,	Phillips,	Stamper,
McClary,	Phinizy,	Stephens,
M'Connel of Catoosa	Pickett,	Tatom,
McConnel of Gord'n	Powell,	Terhune,
McLean,	Pruitt,	Wood,
McLenan,	Sapp,	Warthen,
Milledge,	Solomon,	Whitworth,
Montgomery	Smith of Bryan,	Wiggins,
Myers,	Smith of Hancock	Williams,
Paris,	Smith of Tattnall,	

So the motion was lost.

The bill was read the third time, and the yeas and nays were required to be recorded on the question of its passage. There are yeas 55, nays 52.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Boyd,	Johnson of Cass,	Phinizy,
Burnett,	Johnson of Henry,	Pickett,
Butts,	Jones of Lowndes,	Powell,
Cannon,	Jones of Muscogee,	Pruitt,
Daniel,	Jones of Warren,	Sapp,
Davis of Polk,	Kitchens,	Solomon,
Dorminy,	Lane,	Smith of Bryan,
Durden,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Hancock,
Felton,	Lowe,	Smith of Tattnall,
Gordon,	McClary,	Stamper,
Graham,	M Connel of Catoosa	Stephens,
Graves,	McLean,	Tatom,
Hale,	McLenan,	Terhune,
Harris of Meriwe'r,	Milledge,	Wood,
Haynie,	Montgomery,	Warthen,
Headen,	Parks,	Whitworth,
Hill,	Paris,	Wiggins,
Hudson of Harris,	Phillips,	Williams,
Johnson of Carroll,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Cobb,	King of Fayette,
Avery,	Crook,	King of McIntosh,
Barron,	Dawson,	Kirkpatrick,
Bartlett,	Dozier,	Matthews,
Battle,	Faulk,	Maynor,
Beall,	Fields,	McConnel of Gord'n
Bradford,	Graybill,	Owen,
Brantley,	Griffith,	Peterson,
Brown of Burke,	Harrell,	Porter,
Brown of Camden,	Harris of Fulton,	Reid,
Browning,	Harrison,	Roberts,
Caldwell of Walker,	Hilliard,	Rozier,
Carlton,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Rumph,
Causey,	Kilgore,	Sharman,

Simmons,	Taylor,	Walton,
Spinks,	Thompson,	Ward,
Swearingen,	Thornton,	Wynn.

So the bill was passed.

The House on motion adjourned until 10 o'clock to morrow morning.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The credentials of Mr. Connally, member elect from the county of Murray, were presented, when he was duly qualified and took his seat, to fill the vacancy resulting from the resignation of Mr. Carter.

Mr. Smith of Union moved to reconsider so much of the Journal of yesterday as relates to the rejection of the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the building, opening and constructing a railroad from some point in the county of Union or in the county of Fannin, which may be agreed upon by the Directors of said railroad, or a majority of them hereinafter mentioned, running up the valley of Little Hightower river in the county of Union, to connect with the Northeastern Railroad (now contemplated) in the county of Rabun or Habersham, or with some other railroad or contemplated railroad, and to grant corporate powers and privileges to the same.

The yeas and nays were upon this proposition required to be recorded, and are yeas 57, nays 41.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Hilliard,	Porter,
Avery,	Hoyle,	Powell,
Barron,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Pruitt,
Bradford,	Hughes,	Reid,
Brown of Burke,	Johnson of Carroll,	Richards,
Brown of Camden,	Jones of Lowndes,	Rozier,
Browning,	King of Fayette,	Rumph,
Burnett,	King of McIntosh,	Simmons,
Caldwell of Walker,	Kirkpatrick,	Slacumb,
Cannon,	Kitchens,	Smith of Clinch,
Cobb,	McCants,	Smith of Tattnall,
Crook,	McClary,	Smith of Union,
Dorminy,	McConnel of Catoosa,	Stanper,
Dozier,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Swearingen,
Durden,	McLean,	Taylor,
Faulk,	Myers,	Terhune,
Harrell,	Pafford,	Thompson,
Haynie,	Parks,	Wood,
Hill,	Peterson,	Ward,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Battle,	Graybill,	Pickett,
Beall,	Hale,	Roberts,
Boyd,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	Sapp,
Brantley,	Harrison,	Sharman,
Butts,	Headen,	Smith of Hancock,
Carlton,	Hudson of Harris,	Spinks,
Connally,	Johnson of Henry,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Jones of Muscogee,	Tatom,
Cornwell,	Kilgore,	Thornton,
Davis of Bibb,	Mathews,	Walton,
Dawson,	Maynor,	Warthen,
Fields,	McLean,	Whitworth,
Gordon,	Milledge,	Wimberley.
Graham,	Montgomery,	

So the motion to reconsider prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Butts, so much of the Journals of yesterday was reconsidered as relates to the passage of the bill as amended to be entitled an act to authorize Rufus Barker of the county of Floyd to practice medicine, and sue and collect for the same. The rule was suspended and the same was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Milledge, the original bill was adopted in lieu of the original as amended. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Faulk, the regular order was suspended, and the House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary of Twiggs county to grant letters of guardianship to Daniel W. Shine. The same was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The rules were also suspended, and the House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of the county of Burke to issue bonds for the purpose of enabling them to build the Court-house of said county and other public buildings. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The Committee on Banks, to whom was referred the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Exchange Bank of the State of Georgia at Griffin, Georgia, report the bill with amendments, and recommend its passage.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to appropriate money for the support of government for the political years of eighteen hundred and fifty-six and eighteen hundred and fifty-seven.

Also, an act to change, define and limit the time of holding the Superior Courts of the counties of Crawford, Twiggs, Macon and Dooly.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit :

A bill to empower the Judge of the Superior Courts of the Western Circuit to hold the fall term of the Superior Court of the county of Jackson for two weeks in certain cases.

A bill to facilitate the collection of intestates' estates in certain cases without administration.

A bill for the relief of Harriet A. Boyd of the county of Cobb.

A bill to manumit a negro man slave named Boston.

A bill for the relief of Wm. A. Strain of the county of Greene.

A bill to change the place of holding Justices' Courts in the 476th District of Newton county.

A bill changing the time of holding the Superior Courts of certain counties therein named.

Mr. Phillips reported a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate a sum of money to erect a monument to the memory of the Hon. A. J. Miller, deceased, which was read the first time.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Exchange Bank of the State of Georgia at Griffin. The report of the Committee on Banks recommending the passage of this bill with certain amendments was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Phillips, from the Committee on Finance, reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Andrew J. Nichols, which was read the first time.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Haynie in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act for the improvement of the Altamaha River. After some time spent therein the committee arose, and through their chairman reported the same back to the House without amendments.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock offered the following amendment, which was received, viz :

Be it further enacted, That the sum of money herein appropriated shall be expended under the direction and superintendence of a competent engineer, to be appointed by the Governor, and whose wages, to be paid by the Governor, shall be paid out of the fund appropriated in this act ; and that no part of this fund, except the wages of the engineer, shall be paid out until the engineer thus appointed shall report to the Governor that the improvement contemplated by this act is both practicable and advisable, and will not require a larger sum than herein appropriated.

The report of the committee as amended was agreed to

The bill was read the third time, and upon the question, Shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 35, nays 64.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Bradford,	Hayne,	Paris,
Brown of Camden,	Hilliard,	Peterson,
Burnett,	Hughes,	Phillips,
Butts,	Johnson of Henry,	Pickett,
Cannon,	Jones of Lowndes,	Porter,
Carlton,	Jones of Muscogee,	Powell,
Crook,	King of McIntosh,	Sapp,
Dorminy,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Clinch
Faulk,	Matthews,	Smith of Tattnall,
Felton,	McLennan,	Smith of Union,
Harrell,	Milledge,	Wood,
Harris of Fulton,	Pafford,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Harrison,	Pruitt,
Avery,	Headen,	Reid,
Barron,	Hill,	Richard's,
Bartlett,	Hoyle,	Roberts,
Battle,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Rozier,
Beall,	Hudson of Harris,	Rumph,
Brantley,	Johnson of Carroll,	Sharman,
Brown of Burke,	Johnson of Cass,	Slocumb,
Connally,	King of Fayette,	Solomon,
Causey,	Kirkpatrick,	Spinks,
Cobb,	Lane,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Lowe,	Swearingen,
Davis of Bibb,	Maynor,	Tatom,
Davis of Polk,	McCants,	Taylor,
Dawson,	McClary,	Thompson,
Dozier,	M'Connel of Gordon,	Walton,
Durden,	McLean,	Ward,
Fields,	Montgomery,	Whitworth,
Graham,	Myers,	Williams,
Graybill,	Owen,	Wimberly,
Hale,	Parks,	Wynn,
Harris of Meriwe'r,	Phinizy,	

So the bill was lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank in the city of Columbus.

The following amendment was offered by Mr. Stamper, and received, viz :

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That Arthur Hood, Seaborn A. Smith, Samuel W. Brooks, John T. Howard, Manning G. Stamper, T. L. Guerrey, Levi Mercer, Patrick H. Bell and Jacob Smith, be and they are here-

by incorporated under the name and style of the Bank of Cuthbert, to be located in the town of Cuthbert, with all the rights and privileges, and under the restrictions and regulations of the above act.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to define and establish the fees of Ordinaries, Clerks of the Superior and Inferior Courts, Sheriffs, Jailors, Justices of the Peace, and Constables, in this State.

Mr. Boyd offered the following amendment, which was received, viz: "Provided that nothing in this act shall prohibit any of the aforesaid officers from charging the legal fees for services not enumerated in the same."

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

On motion of Mr. Lewis of Hancock, the rules were suspended, and the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Planters' Club of Hancock county, was taken up and made the special order for Thursday next.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Moccasin Turnpike Company, &c. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Wiggins, Griffith and Jones of Warren, for a few days, on account of special business.

The House adjourned until 3½ o'clock, P. M.

HALF PAST THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Hill of Troup in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for the payment of the claim of Thomas E. Patton, assignee of Thomas Bice. After sometime spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be transmitted to the Senate without delay.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to restore to the people of Georgia certain rights of which they are now deprived.

Mr. Boyd moved that the same be indefinitely postponed. Upon this proposition the yeas and nays, by Mr. Johnson of Cass, were required, and are yeas 67, nays 26.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Graham,	Pruitt,
Avery,	Hale,	Roberts,
Bartlett,	Harrell,	Rozier,
Battle,	Harrison,	Rumph,
Boyd,	Hill,	Sapp,
Bradford,	Hilliard,	Sharman,
Brantley,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Simmons,
Brown of Burke,	Johnson of Carroll,	Slocumb,
Brown of Camden,	Kilgore,	Smith of Hancock,
Browning,	Matthews,	Smith of Tattnall,
Butts,	Maynor,	Smith of Union,
Caldwell of Walker	McCants,	Spinks,
Cannon,	McConnel of Gold'n	Stamper,
Carlton,	McLenan,	Stephens,
Causey,	Milledge,	Tatom,
Cobb,	Myers,	Taylor,
Davis of Polk,	Owen,	Thornton,
Dawson,	Pafford,	Wood,
Dozier,	Parks,	Walton,
Durden,	Paris,	Ward,
Faulk,	Peterson,	Wimberly,
Felton,	Porter,	Wynn.
Fields,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Burnett,	Kirkpatrick,	Phillips,
Dorminy,	Kitchens,	Phinzy,
Harris of Meriwe'r	Lane,	Solomon,
Hughes,	Lowe,	Smith of Clinch,
Johnson of Cass,	McClary,	Terhune,
Johnson of Henry,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Whitworth,
Jones of Muscogee,	McLean,	Williams,

So the motion prevailed.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Montgomery for a few days on account of special business.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor through Mr. de Graffenried, his Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Governor has approved and signed the following act, to-wit :

An act to appropriate money for the support of government for the political years of eighteen hundred and fifty-six and eighteen hundred and fifty-seven.

The Committee on Banks reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Banks of this State, or the Agencies of any Bank located in this State, to receive and pay for the half of bills when presented to them, which was read the first time.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the several acts in regard to the Public Printing and the election of Printer, the

manner of printing and binding the laws and printing the journals, and the distribution thereof, and the printing of bills, reports and other documents, the duties of the Governor, Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House of Representatives, and Compiler, the liability of the Public Printer, Secretary and Clerk, &c.

Pending discussion on the same, the House adjourned until 7½ o'clock P. M.

HALF PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The following bills of the House were read the second time and committed for the third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to grant to William Schley and Robert Schley of the county of Richmond, the right to open and construct a railroad, plank road or other road, from their saw mill on Spirit creek, in said county, to any point on the Augusta Southwestern Plank Road, between the 11th and 13th mile posts on said Plank Road from the city of Augusta, for the transportation of timber, lumber and wood.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Rome Foundry and Machine Company.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Eatonton and Madison Railroad Company, and to confer certain powers and privileges therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Macon Savings Bank.

A bill to be entitled an act to appoint an additional number of Trustees for the Washington Academy in the county of Gwinnett.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Archer Griffith of Oglethorpe county, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to appoint Trustees for the Carrollton Male and Female Academies, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Pine Mountain Mining Company of this State.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of James O. Hunt.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Kooekogy in the county of Talbot.

A bill to be entitled an act to compensate grand and petit jurors in the county of Jefferson, and for other purposes.

And a bill to be entitled an act to provide for the election of Trustees for the Springfield Academy in the county of Effingham, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Sarah H. Lamar.

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent the felling in of tim-

ber or otherwise obstructing Mountain Town creek so as to cause drift.

The following bills were read the second time and referred as hereafter specified, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the 35th section of the 14th division of the Penal Code, was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to compensate Washington Lawson for building a depot for the Western and Atlantic Railroad at Calhoun in Gordon county, and to provide for the payment of the same.

The rules were suspended, and the House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to the entitled an act for the relief of W. J. P. Phinazy of the county of Monro, in the twentieth year of his age.

The following amendment was offered and received, viz : "That all the provisions of this bill shall be applicable to Hugh Bruster and his junior ward Gabriel L. Hudson of the county of Coweta. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and committed for a third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to change and fix the time of holding the Superior Court in the county of Meriwether, and for other purposes therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to appoint Commissioners of Pilotage for the navigable waters of the port of Darien in the county of McIntosh.

A bill to be entitled an act to compensate grand and petit jurors of the county of Pickens and to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court to levy an extra tax for that purpose, and to extend the provisions of this act to other counties therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Pierce Female College and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the issuing of attachments and garnishments and to regulate proceedings in relation to the same, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Lee and Randolph, to repeal an act entitled an act to make permanent the public site in the county of Lee at Starkville, and to incorporate the same, to designate the corporate limits thereof, to appoint commissioners for the same, and to define their powers, approved December 26th, 1851, and to provide for the selection of a new county site, and for other purposes herein mentioned, approved Feb. 7th, 1854, to locate permanently the public site of the county of Lee at Starkville, to compensate the lot

owners of the town of Webster, and for other purposes herein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Dr. J. J. M. Goss to practice medicine on the eclectic system as taught in Cincinnati, Ohio.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Cotton Hill Male and Female Seminary in the village of Cotton Hill, Clay county.

A bill to be entitled an act to prescribe the mode of taxing costs in the Supreme Court of this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal so much of an act entitled an act to lay out and organize the county of Fannin out of the counties of Gilmer and Union, or so much of said act as includes a portion of the county of Murray, assented to on the 21st of January, 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act to exempt certain property of the city of Savannah from taxation.

A bill to be entitled an act to make legal the election of James Bush to the office of Ordinary of Early county, and to legalize the acts of John J. Pilcher, Deputy Ordinary of the county of Warren.

And a bill to alter and amend the 12th section of the 2d article of the Constitution of this State, so as to give the election of Secretary of State, Treasurer and Surveyor General to the people.

A bill to be entitled an act to permit practicing Attorneys to hold the office and discharge the duties of Justices of the Peace in this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to expedite suits of law and equity in certain cases, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to give endorsers the control of fi fas in all cases in which they may have paid them off against the principal or any prior endorser.

A bill to be entitled an act to establish and organize a Court in the city of Columbus and to define its jurisdiction.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank in the town of Athens, to be called the Bank of Athens.

A bill to be entitled an act in relation to the poor school funds in certain counties therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to extend the provisions of the 4th section, 29th Charles II. to the sale or gift of lands.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the 19th section of the first article of the Constitution of the State of Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act to organize the Court of Common Pleas in the city of Augusta, to change the name thereof, to give it jurisdiction in criminal cases, and for other purposes.

And a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Courts of this State to exercise criminal jurisdiction.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Lagrange and Oxford Railroad Company.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act approved 22d January, 1852, entitled an act to repeal the 1st section of an act approved 19th December, 1849, entitled an act to repeal all laws respecting the importation of slaves into this State, and to give certain powers to municipal corporations in relation to slaves, and to amend the act hereby revived and to revive said first section so repealed.

A bill to be entitled an act to compensate petit jurors in the county of Marion.

A bill to be entitled an act to require Ordinaries of this State to keep a book in which they shall record all letters testamentary, letters of administration and letters of guardianship, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the several acts in relation to the town of Athens.

A bill to be entitled an act limiting the time in which suits in the Courts of Law in this State must be brought, and also limiting the time in which indictments are to be found and prosecuted in certain cases, and for other purposes therein mentioned, which was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of teachers of poor children in the county of Decatur.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Rachael Black.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Henry A. Clemons.

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent and make penal the obstruction of any of the public roads of Troup county by persons engaged in horse-racing.

The following Senate bills were read the first time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank to be located in the city of Macon to be called the Middle Bank of Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the City Council of Savannah to elect or appoint ten auctioneers or vendue masters.

A bill changing the Superior Courts of certain counties therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide and prescribe the mode of taking testimony of witnesses de bene esse in cases where the matter of controversy is not pending in any Court.

A bill to be entitled an act to empower the Judge of the Superior Court of the Western Circuit to hold the fall term of the Superior Court of Jackson county two weeks in certain cases.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Henry Cox of the county of Washington.

A bill to be entitled an act to vest that portion of land

known as the State's reserve below the city of Macon, in the corporate authorities of said city.

A bill to be entitled an act declaring who are qualified and liable to serve as jurors in criminal cases, regulating the manner of empanelling a jury in such cases, declaring who are competent jurors, and the mode of ascertaining such competency, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to protect the citizens of the counties of Worth, Richmond and Clinch from the injurious consequences of camp-hunting by non-residents.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the fifteenth section of the fourteenth division of the Penal Code.

A bill to be entitled an act for the protection of the rights of Eugene Allen, a minor of Troup county

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize bills of sale to be proven, recorded, and admitted in evidence in certain cases therein specified.

A bill to be entitled an act to reduce the Sheriffs' bond of Worth, Hart and Pickens counties.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to regulate the testimony of Attorneys at Law, approved February 21st, 1850.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal a portion of the second section of an act entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Monroe and Crawford, and also to change the lines between other counties therein mentioned, approved February 13th, 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize persons to submit controversies to arbitration, declaring how arbitrators shall be chosen, prescribing their powers, regulating the manner in which their proceedings shall be conducted, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent railroad agents from shipping or carrying their grain on the Western and Atlantic Railroad, in preference and to the injury of other persons, and to punish them for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to add an additional section to the ninth division of the Penal Code.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the tenth section of the thirteenth division of the Penal Code of this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the place of holding Justices Courts in the 476th District G. M. of Newton county.

A bill to be entitled an act to facilitate the collection of intestates' estates in certain cases, without administration.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Barnard Dugan of the county of Fulton.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Warthen, Williams and Faulk for a few days on account of special business.

The House then adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion the rules were suspended, when the House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to change and fix the time of holding the Superior Court in the county of Meriwether, and for other purposes therein named. The same was so emended as to embrace the Courts in the county of Butts. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House resumed the unfinished business of yesterday, to-wit : the bill relative to the public printing, &c.

The motion to strike out Milledgeville from the first section, which was made on yesterday by Mr. Jones of Muscogee, was first acted upon. The yeas and nays thereon were required by Mr. Butts to be recorded, and are yeas 42, nays 60.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Hudson of Harris,	Porter,
Battle,	Johnson of Cass,	Pruitt,
Brown of Burke,	Jones of Muscogee,	Sharman,
Caldwell of Walker,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Bryan,
Carlton,	Lane,	Smith of Union,
Cornwell,	Lawton,	Stamper.
Crook,	Lowe,	Swearingen,
Graham,	Maynor,	Tatom,
Harris of Fulton,	M'Connel of Gordon	Terhune,
Harris of Meriwet'r,	McLean,	Thornton,
Haynie,	Parks,	Wood,
Headen,	Paris,	Whitworth.
Hoyle,	Phillips,	Wimberly,
Hudson of Gwin'tt	Pickett,	Wynn,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Davis of Polk,	Lewis of Hancock,
Barron,	Dawson,	Matthews,
Barton,	Dozier,	McClary,
Bartlett,	Durden,	M'Connel of Catoosa
Beall,	Felton,	McLenan,
Boyd,	Fields,	Myers,
Brantley,	Hale,	Owen,
Brown of Camden,	Harrell,	Pafford,
Browning,	Harrison,	Peterson,
Burnett,	Hill,	Phinizy,
Butts,	Hilliard,	Powell,
Cannon,	Hughes,	Richards,
Connally,	Johnson of Carroll,	Roberts,
Causey,	Jones of Lowndes,	Rozier,
Cobb,	Kilgore,	Rumph,
Cooper,	King of Fayette,	Sapp,
Daniel,	Kirkpatrick,	Simmons,

Slocumb,	Spinks,	Thompson.
Smith of Clinch,	Stephens,	Walton,
Smith of Hancock,	Taylor,	Ward,
Smith of Tattnell,		

So the motion to strike out was lost.

On motion of Mr. Terhune, the whole of the first section was stricken out.

Mr. Crook offered as a substitute for the original bill as amended, a bill to be entitled an act to amend the 1st and 10th sections, and continue in force until repealed, an act to amend the several acts of the General Assembly in regard to the election of Public Printer, and more particularly to prescribe the duties liabilities and compensation of said officer, and for other purposes.

Mr. Johnson of Cass, moved to lay the same on the table for the balance of the Session. On this question the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 57, nays 52.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barron,	Durden,	Myers,
Barton,	Felton,	Owen,
Bartlett,	Gordon,	Paris,
Battle,	Hale,	Peterson,
Brantley,	Harrell,	Phinizy,
Brown of Burke,	Harris of Fulton,	Richards,
Brown of Camden,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Rumph,
Burnett,	Harrison,	Sharman,
Butts,	Hill,	Simmons,
Cannon,	Hudson of Harris,	Slocumb,
Carlton,	Johnson of Carroll,	Solomon,
Causey,	Johnson of Cass,	Smith of Bryan,
Cobb,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Hancock,
Cornwell,	Lane,	Smith of Tattnell,
Davis of Bibb,	Lewis of Hancock,	Spinks,
Davis of Polk,	Lowe,	Taylor,
Dawson,	Matthews,	Walton,
Dorminy,	McCants,	Ward,
Dozier,	McLenan,	Wimberly,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Fields,	Kilgore,
Beall,	Graham,	King of Fayette,
Boyd,	Graves,	King of McIntosh,
Boykin of Scriven,	Haynie,	Lawton,
Bradford,	Headen,	Maynor,
Browning,	Hilliard,	McClary,
Caldwell of Walker,	Hoyle,	M'Connel of Catoosa
Connally,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	McConnel of Gord'u
Cooper,	Hughes,	McLean,
Crook,	Jones of Lowndes,	Parks,
Daniel,	Jones of Muscogee,	Phillips,

Pickett,	Smith of Clinch,	Terhune,
Porter,	Smith of Union,	Thompson,
Powell,	Stamper,	Thornton,
Pruitt,	Stephens,	Wood,
Roberts,	Swearingen,	Whitworth,
Rozier,	Tatom,	Wynn.
Sapp,		

So the motion prevailed.

The bill as amended was reported back to the House.—The report was disagreed to and the first section thereof retained.

Mr. Crook moved to lay the bill on the table for the balance of the Session, and upon this the yeas and nays were required to be recorded by Mr. Jones of Muscogee. There are yeas 18, nays 72.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs :

Brantley,	Harrell,	Matthews,
Caldwell of Walker,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	Maynor,
Cornwell,	Hoyle,	McLean,
Crook,	Hughes,	Parks,
Davis of Bibb,	Jones of Muscogee,	Rozier,
Graham,	King of Fayette,	Terhune,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs :

Amiss,	Headen,	Pickett,
Barron,	Hill,	Powell,
Battle,	Hilliard,	Pruitt,
Beall,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Richards,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hudson of Harris,	Roberts,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Carroll,	Rumph,
Butts,	Johnson of Cass,	Sapp,
Cannon,	Johnson of Henry,	Sharman,
Carlton,	Jones of Lowndes,	Simmons,
Connally,	Kirkpatrick,	Slocumb,
Causey,	Lane,	Solomon,
Cobb,	Lawton,	Smith of Clinch,
Cooper,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Hancock,
Daniel,	Lowe,	Smith of Tattnall,
Davis of Polk,	McClary,	Spinks,
Dawson,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Stephens,
Dorminy,	M'Connel of Gord'n,	Swearingen,
Felton,	Myers,	Tatom,
Fields,	Owen,	Taylor,
Gordon,	Pafford,	Thompson,
Hale,	Paris,	Wood,
Harris of Fulton,	Peterson,	Ward,
Harrison,	Phillips,	Whitworth,
Haynie,	Phinizy,	Wimberly.

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Crook then moved to strike out the first section and

upon the same the yeas and nays were by Mr. Crook, required to be recorded. There are yeas 37, nays 58.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Hughes,	Sharman,
Battle,	Jones of Muscogee,	Smith of Union,
Bradford,	Kilgore,	Stamper,
Caldwell of Walker,	King of Fayette,	Stephens,
Carlton,	Lane,	Swearingen,
Cooper,	Maynor,	Tatom,
Crook,	McLean,	Terhune,
Daniel,	Parks,	Thornton,
Davis of Bibb,	Phillips,	Wood,
Graves,	Pickett,	Whitworth,
Hale,	Pruitt,	Wimberly.
Hoyle,	Sapp,	Wynn.
Hudson of Gwin'tt.		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barron,	Graham,	Owen,
Barton,	Harrell,	Paris,
Beall,	Harris of Fulton,	Peterson,
Boyd,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Phinizy,
Boykin of Scriven,	Harrison,	Powell,
Brantley,	Haynie,	Richards,
Brown of Camden,	Hill,	Rozier,
Brown of Burke,	Hilliard,	Rumph,
Browning,	Johnson of Carroll,	Simmons,
Burnett,	Johnson of Cass,	Solomon,
Butts,	Johnson of Henry,	Smith of Bryan,
Cannon,	Jones of Lowndes,	Smith of Clinch,
Connally,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Hancock,
Causey,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cobb,	Matthews,	Spinks,
Davis of Polk,	McClary,	Taylor,
Dawson,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Thompson,
Dozier,	M'Connel of Gord'n,	Walton,
Felton,	Myers,	Ward,
Fields,		

So the motion was lost.

The House adjourned during the pendency of the bill and certain amendments offered to the same, until 3½ o'clock, P. M.

HALF PAST THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and resumed the unfinished business of the morning.

Mr. Lawton offered as a substitute for the same, a bill to

be entitled an act to amend the several acts now in force in reference to the Public Printer. The same was so amended as to limit the number of Journals to be printed to two thousand instead of three, but authorizing the Governor to increase the number in his discretion so as to meet the demands of the public interest. The substitute was adopted as the report of the committee. The bill was read the third time and passed as amended, under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the several acts now in force regulating the fees of Magistrates and Constables in the State of Georgia so far as relates to the county of Decatur and to provide for the mode of collecting the same.—The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change the January elections in the State of Georgia, from the first Monday to the first Wednesday in January, and the October elections from the first Monday to the first Wednesday in October. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and on the question, Shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 70, nays 39.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Graves,	M'Connel of Catoosa
Barton,	Graybill,	Myers,
Bartlett,	Hale,	Owen,
Battle,	Harrell,	Paris,
Boyd,	Harris of Fulton,	Peterson,
Boykin of Scriven,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Phillips,
Brown of Burke,	Haynie,	Pickett,
Browning,	Hill,	Porter,
Burnett,	Hilliard,	Pruitt,
Butts,	Hudson of Harris	Sharman,
Caldwell of Walker	Hughes,	Slocumb,
Cannon,	Johnson of Cass,	Smith of Bryan,
Carlton,	Johnson of Henry,	Smith of Clinch,
Causey,	Jones of Lowndes,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cobb,	Kilgore,	Spinks,
Cornwell,	Kirkpatrick,	Stamper,
Crook,	Lane,	Stephens,
Davis of Bibb,	Lawton,	Tatom,
Davis of Polk,	Lewis of Hancock,	Thornton,
Dawson,	Matthews,	Wood,
Dorminy,	McCants,	Walton,
Dozier,	McClary,	Wynn,
Gordon,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Bradford,	Connally,
Beall,	Brown of Camden,	Cooper,

Daniel,	King of Fayette,	Sapp,
Felton,	Maynor,	Simmons,
Fields,	McConnel of Gord'n	Solomou,
Graham,	Pafford,	Smith of Union,
Harrison,	Parks,	Swearingen,
Headen,	Phinizy,	Taylor,
Hudson of Gwinnett	Powell,	Terhune,
Johnson of Carroll,	Roberts,	Thompson,
Jones of Muscogee,	Rumph,	Ward,

So the same was passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Effingham county to order the payment of the superintendants, clerks and those who consolidate the returns of elections of said county, for their services. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act entitled an act to amend an act passed the 17th day of December, 1847, to authorize parties to compel discoveries at common law, approved 20th February, 1834. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to organize and lay out a new county from the counties of Jackson, Gwinnett and Walton. The report of the Committee on New Counties which was adverse to the passage of the same was agreed to, and the bill was therefore lost.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker :—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit :

A bill to amend an act supplementary to, and more effectually to enforce, an act proscribing the mode of manumitting slaves in this State, approved December 19th, 1818, and for other purposes.

A bill to authorize the county treasurers of certain counties therein named, to pay the grand and petit jurors of said counties.

A bill to allow Andrew J. Wooten of the county of Telfair, to peddle and vend goods in certain counties therein named, free of license.

A bill to add the present residence of Rev. H. T. Bussey to the county of Telfair.

A bill for the relief of persons legally divorced from the bonds of matrimony in this State.

A bill to incorporate the Madison Town Hall Company.

A bill to provide for the compensation of grand and petit jurors of the county of Elbert.

A bill to amend the several acts to incorporate the town

of Spring Place, and to prescribe the powers of Commissioners of said town.

A bill to extend to the county of Kinchafoonee the provisions of an act to amend the road laws of this State so far as relates to the counties of Wilkes, Laurens, Lincoln, Columbia and Twiggs.

A bill to alter and amend an act to make permanent the county line between the counties of Dooly and Worth, and also between the counties of Irwin and Dooly.

A bill declaring what persons shall be liable to pay physicians for services rendered to slaves who are hired, or otherwise in possession of bailees.

A bill explanatory of the second section of an act entitled an act to alter and amend an act for the more effectually securing the probate of wills, &c.

A bill to exempt Daniel and Lucinda his wife, the property of Harrison N. Riley nominal slaves, from the tax now imposed by law on nominal slaves.

A bill to incorporate the town of Fletcherville in the county of Thomas, and to provide for the election of Commissioners of the same, and also, to prescribe the mode and manner of electing the town Commissioners of the town of Bainbridge in the county of Decatur, to define their power and to extend the corporate limits of said town.

A bill of the House of Representatives to legalize the revision of the jury boxes and the drawing of the grand and petit jurors of the county of Floyd for the next term of the Superior Court of said county.

The Senate has also passed a joint resolution in relation to certain mail routes therein named.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to legalize the revision of the jury boxes and the drawing of the grand and petit jurors of the county of Floyd for the next term of the Superior Court of said county.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor, through Mr. deGraffieried, his Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Governor has approved and signed the following acts, to-wit :

An act to authorize Avner Burnam of Houston county, as Guardian of James R. R. Haddock, minor of William Haddock,, deceased, to settle with his ward, and to make said James R. R. Haddock competent to contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued and to do all other lawful acts which an adult may of right do.

An act to legalize the revision of the jury boxes and the drawing of the grand and petit jurors of the county of Floyd, for the next term of the Superior Court of said county.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Burke to issue bonds to enable them to rebuild the Court-house and other public buildings of said county.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, a bill to be entitled an act appropriating money to erect a monument in honor of Hon. Andrew J. Miller was taken up out of its regular order, and having been read the second time was committed for the third reading.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the benefit of Isaac C. Moore, a teacher of poor children for the year 1854.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock offered as a substitute therefor, a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinaries of the several counties in this State to pay accounts of the teachers of poor children in certain cases therein specified. Before any definite action thereon, the House adjourned until 7 o'clock, P. M.

SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Phillips from the Committee on Finance, reported a bill to be entitled an act to simplify the operations of the Treasury Department and for other purposes, which was read the first time.

Mr. Lawton from the Committee on Internal Improvement, reported a bill to be entitled an act to authorize and provide for the union and consolidation of the Muscogee Railroad Company with the Southwestern Railroad Company under the charter of the latter Company.

The following bill of the Senate was read the second time and committed for a third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the City Council of Savannah to elect or appoint ten auctioneers or vendue masters.

The following bills of the House were read the second time, and referred as hereafter specified, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to change the line between Cass and Gordon ; also between Gordon and Murray.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for educational purposes was referred to the Committee on Public Education.

The House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to amend the several acts in relation to the town of Athens. certain amendments were offered and received. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The following bills of the House were read the second time and committed for a third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to change the times of holding the Superior Courts of certain counties therein mentioned and for other purposes therein specified.

A bill to be entitled an act to extend certain privileges to James E. Smith of the county of Clay, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to compensate John Taylor of the county of Chattooga, for furnishing his Excellency with a copy of the census for 1852.

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to remove the knoll in Savannah river and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal so much of the law in relation to change bills as makes it the duty of the Judges of the Superior Courts to give the act passed 10th December, 1841, in special charge to the Grand Juries.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary of the county of DeKalb to pay Winston H. Cash the sum of thirty-one dollars, for teaching poor children of said county.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Trenton Female Academy and to appoint Trustees for the same; also, to incorporate Trenton Male Academy and to appoint Trustees for the same; also, to authorize and require the Trustees of Trenton Academy, Dade county, to sell said Academy together with the lot of ground on which it is located, and to pay one half of the proceeds of said sale to the Trustees of Trenton Female Academy, the other half to the Trustees of Trenton Male Academy; also, to authorize Trenton Lodge, No. 179, F. A. Masons, Trenton, Dade county, to unite with either the Trustees of Trenton Female or Male Academies in the erection of a suitable house for an Academy and a Lodge Room, upon such grounds as they may select in the town of Trenton, Dade county, not exceeding $\frac{1}{4}$ mile from Trenton Academy.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Stony Point Mining Company of Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Levi Hollinsworth of Heard county, to construct a mill-dam across the Chattahoochee river at his mill in said county.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize James McCauley to erect and keep up a mill-dam across Chicamauga creek.

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent the throwing of timber or dead stock into Holly creek in Murray county.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Carrollton in Carroll county, approved 1829, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to compensate the petit jurors of the county of Lincoln.

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to the Southern Agricultural Society.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act to

change the laws in relation to interest, approved 17th December, 1845, to enable persons to recover lawful interest in usurious contracts, &c.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act to divide and lay off this State into Congressional Districts and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and change the time of holding the Inferior Courts of the county of Henry.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Chattahoochee Iron Works.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Augustus C. Jones.

A bill to be entitled an act to add certain lots of land herein named in the county of Floyd to the county of Polk.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of Enon church of McIntosh county.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor to draw his warrant on the Treasury for the relief of Copeland, Harris & Co.

A bill to be entitled an act to remove the Penitentiary of this State, to appropriate money for the same, and for other purposes therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Dalton Brass Band of the town of Dalton.

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to William A. Taylor of Rabun county.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Mary Elizabeth Hane, the wife of Benjamin Hane of Randolph county.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Mount Hope Academy in Muscogee county, near Flat Rock Camp Ground, and to appoint Trustees for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Frances Murray, lately wife of James Murray

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the Charter of the Presbyterian Church and Washington Female Seminary, granted by act of December 19th, 1827, and amended by an act of December 31st 1838, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John B. Griffin.

And a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Pierce's Chapel.

The House then adjourned until 10 o'clock on Monday Morning.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Hill moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of Saturday as relates to the passage of the bill to be entitled

an act to amend the several acts now of force in reference to the Public Printer.

Upon this proposition, Mr. Hill required the yeas and nays to be recorded, and are yeas 42, nays 65.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barron,	Harrison,	Paris,
Barton,	Hill,	Peterson,
Brown of Burke,	Hughes,	Phinizy,
Browning,	Irvin,	Powell,
Burnett,	Johnson of Carroll,	Richards,
Cannon,	Johnson of Cass,	Rozier,
Causey,	Jones of Lowudes,	Rumph,
Cott,	Kirkpatrick,	Sharman.
Davis of Polk.	Lane,	Smith of Bryan,
Dawson,	Lewis of Greene,	Spinks,
Edenfield,	Lewis of Hancock,	Swearingen,
Felton,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Taylor.
Harrell,	McLenan,	Walton,
Harris of Fulton,	Owen,	Ward,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Graves,	Myers,
Avery,	Graybill,	Pafford,
Bartlett,	Hale,	Parks,
Battle,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Phillips,
Beall,	Haynie,	Pickett,
Boyd,	Headen,	Porter,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hilliard,	Pruitt,
Bradford,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Roberts,
Brantley,	Hudson of Harris,	Sapp,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Henry,	Simmons,
Caldwell of Walker,	Jones of Muscogee,	Slocumb,
Carlton,	Kilgore,	Solomon,
Connally,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cooper,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Union,
Cornwell.	Kitchens,	Stamper,
Crook,	Lawton,	Tatom,
Davis of Bibb,	Matthews,	Terhune,
Dorminy,	Maynor,	Thompson,
Dozier,	McClary,	Thornton,
Fields,	McConnel of Gord'n	Wood,
Gordon,	McLean,	Whitworth,
Graham,	Moore,	

So the motion to reconsider was lost.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Wynn for a few days on account of special business.

On motion of Mr. Crook, the rules were suspended, and the House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Phillips in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to promote the settlement of the Territories of the United States. After some

time spent therein, the committee arose, and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee offered to amend by striking out after the words "special tax," the words "on slaves," which was received. The report as amended was agreed to.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock offered as a substitute for the original bill as amended, a bill to be entitled an act to aid the rights of the South in the Territory of Kansas, and for other purposes. The same was not adopted.

The bill was read the third time, and upon the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 42, nays 62.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barron,	Harrell,	Parks,
Boyd,	Haynie,	Phillips,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hilliard,	Phinizy,
Bradford,	Hughes,	Pruitt,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Carroll,	Reid,
Browning,	Jones of Lowndes,	Richards,
Caldwell of Walker,	Jones of Muscogee,	Roberts,
Cobb,	King of Fayette,	Rozier,
Crook,	King of McIntosh,	Sapp,
Davis of Bibb,	Lane,	Smith of Union,
Dozier,	Lewis of Hancock,	Stamper,
Edenfield,	Matthews,	Swearingen,
Fields,	McClary,	Terhune,
Graham,	McConnel of Gord'n	Wood,
Graves,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Graybill,	McLean,
Avery,	Hale,	McLenan,
Barton,	Harris of Fulton,	Moore,
Bartlett,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	Myers,
Beall,	Harrison,	Owen,
Brantley,	Headen,	Pafford,
Brown of Burke,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Paris,
Burnett,	Hudson of Harris,	Peterson,
Butts,	Irvin,	Pickett,
Calloway,	Johnson of Cass,	Porter,
Cannon,	Johnson of Henry,	Powell,
Carlton,	Kilgore,	Rumph,
Connally,	Kirkpatrick,	Sharman,
Causey,	Kitchens,	Slocumb,
Cornwell,	Lawton,	Solomon,
Cottle,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Bryan,
Davis of Polk,	Maynor,	Smith of Clinch,
Dorminy,	McCants,	Smith of Tattual,
Felton,	McConnel of Catoosa	Spinks,

Tatom,
Taylor,
Thompson,

Thornton,
Walton,

Ward,
Whitworth,

So the bill was lost.

The House then adjourned until 3½ o'clock P M.

HALF PAST THREE O'CLOCK, P M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Stamper, the rules were suspended, and the House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Lee and Randolph, to repeal an act entitled an act to make permanent the public site in the county of Lee at Starkville, and to incorporate the same, to designate the corporate limits thereof, to appoint commissioners for the same, and to define their powers, approved December 26th, 1851, and to provide for the selection of a new county site, and for other purposes herein mentioned, approved Feb. 7th, 1854, to locate permanently the public site of the county of Lee at Starkville, to compensate the lot owners of the town of Webster, and for other purposes herein mentioned.

Mr. Stamper offered a section in lieu of the 4th, which was received. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit :

A bill to amend the act incorporating the town of Oxford, and for other purposes.

A bill to change the lines between certain counties therein named.

A bill to prohibit the driving of cattle on the Lookout Mountain, in the counties of Walker, Catoosa and Dade, in certain months of the year.

A bill declaring what persons shall be liable to pay Physicians for services rendered to slaves who are hired or otherwise in the possession of bailees.

A bill to provide for the election of an Attorney General of the Middle Circuit, and Solicitors General of the several Judicial Circuits, by the people.

A bill to add an additional section to the tenth division of the Penal Code.

A bill for the relief of John C. Everett, Jesse Bryan and Robert Campbell.

A bill to allow practising Attorneys to serve as Justices of the Peace in Burke county.

A bill to provide for establishing lost or destroyed papers, and suing upon the same.

A bill to amend the laws now of force in relation to idiots, lunatics and insane persons, and their estates.

A bill to compel the Superintendent of the Western and Atlantic Railroad to sell such iron and other articles as may become useless to said road, at public outcry.

A bill to prevent Counsel from presiding as Judges in cases in which they had been consulted and employed before their election, and to provide for the trial of such cases.

A bill to incorporate the town of Lithonia, and Woodbury in the county of Meriwether.

A bill to incorporate the Sweet Water Railroad Company.

A bill to authorize Sheriffs to take new bail where the principal has been surrendered, in certain cases, and to make valid certain bail bonds taken heretofore.

A bill to authorize Isaac C. Loller to build a mill-dam across the Conasauga River.

A bill to incorporate the Elberton Female Collegiate Institute, located at Elberton, and to amend the act incorporating the Snake Creek Academy in Gordon county.

A bill to legalize and make valid two charters granted by the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Columbus for Plank Roads in said city.

A bill to change the lines between the counties of Richmond and Columbia.

The Senate has also concurred in the amendments of the House to the following bills of the Senate, to-wit :

A bill for the relief of Wm. J. P. Phinizee of the county of Monroe, in the twentieth year of his age.

A bill to change and fix the time of holding the Superior Court in the county of Meriwether, and for other purposes.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled, signed by the President of the Senate, and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act for the relief of Wm. J. P. Phinizee of the county of Monroe, and Hugh Brewster and his minor ward, Gabriel L. Hudson of the county of Coweta.

The Joint Committee to whom was referred the resolution of the General Assembly instructing them to report a bill having for its object the construction of a main trunk railroad from some point at or near the Atlantic coast to the western limits of the State of Georgia, have the satisfaction to state that they have agreed upon a bill incorporating the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad Company, and beg leave to report the same to the House of Representatives as directed in the resolution.

Your Committee have entered upon their allotted task with

a full consciousness of the difficulties which surround them, but with a firm conviction also that a large majority of the people of Georgia desire that the communication from the Atlantic to the Gulf through our Southern and Southwestern counties should be firmly established, so that amid all the mutations of politics or of government, the commonwealth of Georgia may fully secure the advantages which attach to her geographical position.

To effect this great advantage to the country, we have also felt that a spirit of compromise and conciliation was necessary, for the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad will not only open the shortest channel of communication between the Atlantic and the Gulf, thereby giving us control of an almost incalculable commerce, but it will at the same time develop and enrich a large portion of our territory now lying waste and valueless, and human nature would not be what we all feel that it is, if in the selection of the route local interests did not, to some extent, find themselves in collision. But we have sought in ourselves, and confidently expect in this General Assembly, a spirit of patriotism which will lift us above all mere personal consideration, and enable us to co-operate in a work which will enhance the power and develop the resources of the State of Georgia.

Your Committee have divided the question referred to them into two branches. First, they have addressed themselves to the investigation of the most eligible route for a main trunk Railway—and secondly, they have discussed and sifted to the utmost of the ability the various methods suggested, by which the assistance of the State might be extended to the proposed enterprise, and the results of these deliberations are with singular unanimity embodied in the bill now reported.

A slight sketch of the principles which have guided them seems to be required. First, then, in selecting a route they have endeavored to combine shortness of distance with a due regard to the development of Southern Georgia, together with a general reference to the various railroad enterprises, within and without the State, whose co-operation may be necessary to give full efficiency to our main trunk.

Your Committee have therefore determined to establish the eastern terminus of the road at a point near the intersection of the county lines of Appling, Ware and Wayne.—This point will be in round numbers 80 miles or less from Savannah, and 40 miles or less from Brunswick, and will enable both those cities to place themselves in communication with our initial point quite as soon as any considerable portion of the main trunk can be brought into working order. From the point indicated, your Committee propose that the road, except as far as engineering difficulties may require a divergence, shall proceed in a direct line to the

Chattahoochee River, meeting said river at some point between the junction of the Flint and Chattahoochee and Fort Gaines.

The Committee have thought it advisable to allow this large latitude, because, in the survey yet to be undertaken, motives for inclining to one side or the other may present themselves, of which we are not now in possession—and because also the legislation of our sister States of Florida and Alabama, and the progress and prospects of their public works, may have a material bearing on the selection of a site for our western terminus.

The main trunk will not exceed 180 miles, and will pass through a country well suited to railroad construction and abundantly supplied with timber.

This branch of the question having been disposed of, your Committee then took into consideration the mode and measure of assistance which the State might properly give to this great enterprise.

They have sought in treating this question to adhere as much as possible to safe precedents, and to avoid any startling innovations on the practice of our predecessors.

Two modes then presented themselves to the Committee, the one in view of the vast interests involved, and as a means of increasing the wealth and developing the resources of Georgia, should at her own expense build a Southern trunk, as she had already built the Western and Atlantic Railroad—and the other, that the State should subscribe in the stock of an incorporated company, an amount of stock less than one-half the capital stock of said company. The first proposition does not find favor with us, for, although no one doubts that the expenditure of the State in behalf of the Western and Atlantic Railroad, has been more than returned to her in the enhanced value of property, in the growth and prosperity of the cities, and in the more rapid diffusion of civilization and intelligence, yet experience has shown that many serious difficulties attend the carrying on of this branch of business directly by the State.

We have therefore concluded to recommend that certain gentlemen, known throughout the State for their high character and attainments, should be appointed Commissioners to receive subscriptions for stock to the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad under the provisions recited in the bill; that so soon as six hundred thousand dollars shall have been subscribed by bona fide subscribers, then the Governor shall be authorized to subscribe on the part of the State five hundred thousand dollars, being in the proportion of less than one-half. The bill then provides that immediately after this subscription has been made an election shall be ordered for directors, and that an instalment not less than 20 per centum shall be immediately called in, and that the Governor shall

not pay the instalment of the State until the private subscribers shall have all paid up theirs. The Company will then commence operations. The bill farther provides that when the instalment is called for by the Company, the Governor shall first draw his warrant on the Treasury for the amount required, but that in case of a deficiency existing in the Treasury, then and not otherwise the Governor shall issue bonds of the State of Georgia in like form as has been hitherto practised in this State.

The Committee have endeavored to throw every safeguard around the bill now presented, and they heartily recommend its passage.

Agreed to unanimously by the Committee.

JOHN A. JONES, Chairman
of the Committee of the House.

The bill referred to in said report, to-wit, a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a railroad company to be called the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad Company, and for other purposes therein named, was read the first time.

The Committee on Banks, to whom was referred the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a bank in the city of Rome to be called the Bank of the Empire State, have had the same under consideration, and report the same back to the House with amendments, and recommend its passage.

The House took up the report of the committee on said bill. The report of the Committee on Banks was amended, and agreed to as amended. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to make legal the election of James Bush to the office of Ordinary of Early county, and to legalize the acts of John J. Pilcher, Deputy Ordinary of the county of Warren.

Mr. McClary offered to amend by adding an additional section legalizing the election of William E. Griffin to the office of Ordinary in the county of Calhoun, and to authorize the Governor to commission him as such, was received. The report was agreed to as amended. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the several Judiciary acts now in force in this State, so far as relates to justices' courts, approved December 14th, 1811. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of physicians in certain cases. The same was amended, and on motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, was laid on the table for the balance of the Session.

The bill relative to the payment of teachers of poor children, which was taken up as the unfinished business of Saturday, was postponed until to-morrow.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Hale and Wimberly for a few days on account of special business.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the seventh section of the second article of the Constitution.

The hour of five having arrived previous to any action thereon, the House adjourned until 7 o'clock P. M.

SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The House took up the report on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate the Union Coal and Iron Company of Georgia and Georgia Coal Mining Company.

On motion of Mr. Wood, the same was so amended as to incorporate certain persons under the name of the Pocahontis Mining Company, and extend to the same the rights, privileges and immunities of said bill.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act for the relief of David A. Walker of the county of Harris, a minor in the 21st year of his age. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act supplemental to an act to authorize the selection and permanent location of a county site in the county of Wayne, and to authorize the building of a new Courthouse and the levying an extra tax, and for other purposes therein specified, approved the day of January, 1856. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to repeal so much of an act entitled an act to add a part of Carroll county to the county of Heard, and establish an additional election precinct in Heard county, assented to Dec. 20th, 1834, as relates to adding a part of Carroll county to the county of Heard. The same was so amended as to change the lines between certain other counties. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to amend an act en-

titled an act to alter and change the mode of appointing Trustees of Glynn County Academy of the county of Glynn, and to compel their Treasurer to give bond and security for the faithful performance of his duty, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Taylor reported a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Concordia Lodge Lodge, No. 45, of Independent Odd Fellows of the town of Irwinton, Wilkinson county, which was read the first time.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to compel persons living in the county of Wayne to give in and pay their taxes in said county, for all property in the State, so far as relates to the counties of Glynn and Camden, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, Mr. Rumph of Wayne required the yeas and nays to be recorded, and are yeas 80, nays 6.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Harrell,	Paris,
Avery,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Phillips,
Barton,	Harrison,	Phinizy,
Battle,	Haynie,	Pickett,
Boyd,	Hill,	Pruitt,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hudson of Gwin'tt.	Reid,
Brantley,	Hudson of Harris,	Richards,
Brown of Burke,	Irvin,	Roberts,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Carroll,	Rozier,
Browning,	Johnson of Cass,	Simmons,
Burnett,	Johnson of Henry,	Slocumb,
Butts,	Jones of Muscogee,	Solomon,
Caldwell of Walker,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Bryan,
Cannon,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Clinch,
Carlton,	Lane,	Smith of Hancock,
Connally,	Lawton,	Spinks,
Causey,	Lewis of Greene,	Stamper,
Cooper,	Lewis of Hancock,	Swearingen,
Crook,	Maynor,	Tatom,
Davis of Bibb,	McCants,	Taylor,
Davis of Polk,	McClary,	Terhune,
Dorminy,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Tharpe,
Dozier,	M'Connel of Gord'n,	Thompson,
Edenfield,	McLean,	Thornton,
Fields,	Myers,	Wood,
Graves,	Owen,	Watts,
Hale,	Parks,	Whitworth,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Graybill.	McLenan,	Rumph,
Harris of Fulton,	Peterson,	Walton,

So the bill was passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to compensate the Petit Jurors of Dougherty and other counties. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to add lots of land numbers 117 and 118 in the 6th district of Irwin county to the county of Worth. The same was so amended as to change the lines between certain other counties. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to regulate the fees of pilots for the port of Savannah. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Brunswick in the county of Glynn, to define its jurisdictional limits, to provide for the election of the Mayor and City Council, and such other officers as may be required, and confer upon them special powers, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

The same was, on motion of Mr. Terhune, amended by adding after the word Brunswick in the 6th line of the 14th section the words "the charge for which shall not exceed the sum of fifty dollars."

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate the Hydrant Water Company of Columbus. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

On motion, the bill of the House to be entitled an act to appropriate money to erect a necessary building for the accommodation of the pupils at the Institution for the Blind, was read the second time, and committed for the third reading.

The House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to organize the Court of Common Pleas in the city of Augusta, to change the name thereof, to give it jurisdiction in criminal cases, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House then adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Crook moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the rejection of the bill to be entitled an act to promote the settlement of the territories of the United States. Upon this proposition the yeas and nays were required to be recorded by Mr. Jones of Muscogee, and are yeas 49, nays 60.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barron,	Headen,	Moore,
Boyd,	Hilliard,	Phillips,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hughes,	Phinizy,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Carroll,	Pruitt,
Browning,	Johnson of Henry,	Reid,
Caldwell of Walker,	Jones of Muscogee,	Richards,
Calloway,	Julian,	Roberts,
Cottle,	Kilgore,	Rozier,
Crook,	King of Fayette	Sapp,
Davis of Bibb,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Union,
Davis of Polk,	Lane,	Stamper,
Dozier,	Lawton,	Swearingen,
Fields,	Lewis of Hancock,	Taylor,
Graham,	Matthews,	Terhune,
Graves,	McClary,	Wood,
Harrell,	McConnel of Goid'n	Watts,
Haynie,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Graybill,	Pickett,
Avery,	Harris of Meriwe'r	Porter,
Barton,	Harrison,	Powell,
Bartlett,	Hill,	Rumph,
Battle,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Sharman,
Beall,	Hudson of Harris,	Simmons,
Brantley,	Irvin,	Slocumb,
Brown of Burke,	Johnson of Cass,	Solomon,
Burnett,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Bryan,
Butts,	Kitchens,	Smith of Clinch,
Cannon,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Tattnall,
Carlton,	Maynor,	Spinks,
Connally,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Stephens,
Causey,	McLean,	Tatom,
Cooper,	McLenan,	Tharpe,
Cornwell,	Myers,	Thornton,
Dawson,	Owen,	Walton,
Dorminy,	Pafford,	Ward,
Edenfield,	Paris,	Whitworth,
Felton,	Peterson,	Williams,
Gordon,		

So the motion to reconsider was lost.

Mr. Dawson moved to reconsider so much of the Journ-

als of yesterday as relates to the bill and amendments passed, which is a bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to repeal so much of an act entitled an act to add a part of Carroll county to the county of Heard and establish an additional election precinct in Heard county, assented to December 20th, 1834, as relates to adding a part of Carroll county to the county of Heard. Upon the question of reconsidering the same, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded by Mr. Dawson, and are yeas 41, nays 62.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Graves,	Paris,
Barton,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	Peterson,
Bartlett,	Hill,	Phinizy,
Battle,	Hudson of Harris,	Powell,
Burnett,	Johnson of Carroll,	Richards,
Butts,	Johnson of Cass,	Sapp,
Calloway,	Johnson of Henry,	Sharman,
Carlton,	Lane,	Smith of Bryan
Causey,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Hancock
Cornwell,	Lewis of Hancock,	Tatom,
Davis of Bibb,	Matthews,	Tharpe,
Dawson,	McCants,	Wood,
Felton,	McLenan,	Ward,
Gordon,	Moore,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Headen,	Phillips,
Barron,	Hilliard,	Pickett,
Beall,	Hoyle,	Porter,
Boyd,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Pruitt,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hughes,	Roberts,
Brown of Burke,	Irvin,	Rumph,
Brown of Camden,	Jones of Muscogee,	Simmons,
Browning,	Julian,	Solomon,
Caldwell of Walker,	Kilgore,	Smith of Clinch
Connally,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cobb,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Union,
Cooper,	Kirkpatrick,	Spinks,
Crook,	Kitchens,	Stamper,
Davis of Polk,	Lawton,	Stephens,
Dorminy,	Maynor,	Swearingen,
Dozier,	McClary,	Taylor,
Edenfield,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Terhune,
Fields,	M'Connel of Gordon,	Walton,
Harrell,	McLean,	Watts,
Harrison,	Owen,	Whitworth,
Haynie,	Parks,	

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Rumph moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the passage of the bill of the Sen-

ate to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to compel persons living in the county of Wayne to give in and pay their taxes in said county, for all property in the State so far as relates to the counties of Glynn and Camden, and for other purposes. The motion was lost.

Mr. Terhune moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Physicians in certain cases. The same was lost.

The following Message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit:

A bill to amend the several acts of this State in relation to suing out commissions of lunacy.

A bill to incorporate the Auriferous Hill Mining Company.

A bill to enable persons who have claims against trust estates to recover the same in a court of law, and to prescribe the mode in which the same may be done.

A bill for the relief of certain persons therein named.

A bill to prevent the fraudulent survey of lands in the counties of Camden and Effingham.

A bill to require agents and conductors of the Western and Atlantic Railroad to take an oath for the faithful discharge of their duties and to punish a violation of the same.

A bill to change the time of holding the Court of Ordinary in the county of Scriven.

A bill to exempt persons resident on Skidaway Island from road duty on the main land.

A bill to give force to judgments issuing from the Mayor's Court of the city of Darien throughout the State.

A bill in relation to the limitation of estates.

A bill to authorize the Inferior Courts of certain counties to levy an extra tax upon certain conditions, and for other purposes.

A bill for the relief of Wm. T. Shannon and others, securities of George T. Nickelson, late Tax Collector of Greene county.

A bill to allow Tax Collectors to issue summons of garnishment.

A bill to incorporate the LaGrange Light Guards, the Bibb county Loan Association and the Scriven Troops.

A bill proscribing the manner in which the names of persons may be changed, and persons born illegitimate may be legitimate and to carry into effect the provisions of the Constitution upon that subject, and also, to prescribe the manner in which children may be adopted—and to provide for establishing, changing or abolishing election precincts, and for other purposes.

The Senate has also passed the following bill of the House, to-wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate a Bank in the city of Savannah to be called the Mechanics and Traders' Bank, approved February 17th, 1854, to apply the provisions of said act to the Bank of Commerce, and for other purposes therein named, with an amendment in which they ask the concurrence of the House.

The joint standing Committee on the Institution for the Blind, beg leave to report that a majority of your committee by a visit to the Academy and personal inspection of the building, and its adoption for the accommodation of teachers and pupils, have become entirely satisfied that the house now used, as under existing circumstances it must necessarily be, for school rooms and spelling apartments, is wholly unfit for such purposes, and in its present condition dangerous to the safety of the pupils. We therefore recommend that the present Legislature appropriate a sum sufficient to pay for the erection of a suitable fire-proof building. Believing as your Committee do, that the increase of pupils and consequent prosperity of the Institution is retarded more by want of a house for accommodation, comfort and safety of pupils than from any other cause.

The Institution is in its infancy with as yet but few pupils and comparatively limited facilities for imparting instruction, yet the acquirements as exhibited first to a portion of the Committee, and again publicly to the members of the Legislature, showed a progress and proficiency highly creditable to the pupils, honorable to their instructors, and which warrants such an endowment as will not only remove existing impediments to the prosperity of the Institution, but that will enable it to become, as it should be, a proud monument to science and humanity.

Your Committee take much pleasure in commending the zeal, fidelity and ability with which the President and Board of Trustees have discharged the duties incumbent on them, and are gratified to say that after a careful examination of the books, vouchers and reports of the officers of the Institution, they believe its interests have been managed with wisdom, prudence and economy. Yet not withstanding all this, from causes explained in the reports of the officers of the Institution, (and to which we desire to call the attention of the General Assembly) the necessary expenditures of last year for the support and maintenance of the school exceeded by several hundred dollars the annual appropriation of \$25,00 made by the last Legislature for that purpose. We therefore recommend an increase of the annual appropriation for the years 1856 and 1857 adequate to defray the necessary expenses of the Institution.

We deem it unnecessary to enter further into detail of the

receipts, disbursements, wants and requisitions of the Academy as the same is fully and satisfactorially accounted for and set forth in the reports of the Trustees and officers of the Institution accompanying this report, and to which we desire to direct the attention of the General Assembly.

A plan with the specifications and probable cost of a building, believed to be well adapted to the wants, comfort, protection and safety of teachers and pupils, has been presented to your Committee and they herewith submit the same to the consideration of the Legislature, trusting that such measures may be adopted as will redound to the credit of the State, and to the great benefit of the unfortunate blind in our midst.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ELISHA DAVIS,	} Committee.
H. P. KIRKPATRICK,	
JAMES T. BARTON,	
RUSSEL J. PARK,	

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled, signed by the President of the Senate and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to change and fix the time of holding the Superior Courts of Meriwether and Butts counties, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

On motion of Mr. Lawton, the House took up the bill of the House to be entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate a Bank in the city of Savannah to be called the Mechanics and Traders' Bank, approved February 17th, 1854, to apply the provisions of said act to the Bank of Commerce, and for other purposes therein named, which had been amended in the Senate. The same was concurred in.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Crook in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to erect necessary buildings for the accommodation of the pupils of the Institution for the Blind. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The bill to be entitled an act for the benefit of Isaac C. Moore a teacher of poor children for the year 1854, and the substitute offered therefor by Mr. Lewis of Hancock, which is a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinaries of the several counties in this State to pay accounts of the teachers of poor children in certain cases therein specified, and for other purposes, were taken up as unfinished business. The substitute was amended and adopted as the report of the committee. The bill was read the third time and upon the question of its passage the yeas and nays were by Mr.

Stephens required to be recorded. There are yeas 80, nays 20.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Harris of Fulton,	Owen,
Barron,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Pafford,
Barton,	Harrison,	Paris,
Bartlett,	Haynie,	Peterson,
Battle,	Headen,	Phillips,
Beall,	Hill,	Pickett,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hilliard,	Porter,
Brown of Burke,	Hoyle,	Powell,
Browning,	Hudson of Gwin'tt	Pruitt,
Butts,	Hudson of Harris,	Richards,
Caldwell of Walker,	Hughes,	Roberts,
Calloway,	Irvin,	Sapp,
Cannon,	Johnson of Carroll,	Sharman,
Carlton,	Johnson of Cass,	Simmons,
Connally,	Johnson of Henry,	Slocumb,
Causey,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Clinch,
Cobb,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Hancock,
Cooper,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Tattall,
Cornwell,	Lewis of Hancock,	Stamper.
Cottle,	Matthews,	Tatom,
Crook,	Maynor,	Taylor,
Davis of Bibb,	McCants,	Tharpe,
Davis of Polk,	McClary,	Wood,
Dawson,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Walton,
Felton,	M'Connel of Gordon	Ward,
Fields,	McLean,	Watts,
Graves,	Myers,	Williams,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Jones of Muscogee,	Smith of Union,
Boyd,	Julian,	Spinks,
Brown of Camden,	Kilgore,	Stephens,
Dorminy,	McLenan,	Swearingen,
Dozier,	Phinzy,	Terhune,
Graham,	Reid,	Whitworth.
Harrell,	Rumph,	

So the bill was passed.

The House took up as the special order for to-day the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to provide for garnishments in certain cases, and for other purposes, for which a substitute was reported by the Judiciary Committee to be entitled an act to provide for attachment in certain cases, and for other purposes. The substitute was amended and adopted as the report of the committee. The same was on motion of Mr. Lawton, recommitted.

Mr. Crook moved to strike out all after the enacting clause in the substitute, and insert the sections of a bill to be

entitled an act to protect the rights of the people of Georgia from violation by Congress or by other States.

On motion of Mr. Thornton, the same was made the special order for Thursday next, and one hundred and sixty copies thereof ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Georgia College of Science and Agriculture and to confer powers upon the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the several laws in relation to the poor school system so far as relates to the county of Lumpkin. The same was so amended as to extend its provisions to the counties of Rabun and Forsythe. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize John Slater of the county of Bryan, to administer medicine and receive compensation therefor. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House adjourned until 3½ o'clock P. M.

HALF PAST THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to require agents at the depots on the Western and Atlantic Railroad to weigh, receipt for and mark produce, &c. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change the Sheriffs' bond of Hart county from twenty thousand dollars to ten thousand and for other purposes therein mentioned. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to regulate the fare for travel on the different Railroads of this State from stations, half stations and quarter stations, so as to be at the same rate per mile that has been established by the Railroad Companies to their through termination. The report of the Judiciary Committee which was adverse to the passage of the same was agreed to, and the bill was therefore lost.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Irvin in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize his Excellency the Governor to adjust and settle a balance

due by the State to A. P. Powers. The Judiciary Committee reported as a substitute therefor, a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Abner P. Powers. After sometime spent therein, the same was adopted and the committee arose and reported the same back to the House. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of G. W. Smith, David W. Smith and W. J. Thompson. The same was on motion, laid on the table for the balance of the Session.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinaries of this State, to issue cost executions for cost in certain cases. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the oath prescribed in the tax laws of this State. The same was on motion laid on the table for the balance of the Session.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Augusta Savings Bank. On motion of Mr. Crook, the name of Andrew J. Miller was stricken out and that of James Gardner, jr., inserted in lieu thereof. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Edward A. Flewellen of the county of Upson. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Hancock Internal Improvement and Banking Company and to confer certain privileges on the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize William R. Anderson of Union to practice medicine in the county of Union and to charge and collect for the same. On motion, this bill was laid on the table for the balance of the Session.

The bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to enlarge and reconstruct the State Capitol, and for other purposes, was taken up and on motion, was made the special order for to-mor-row.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the Muscogee Railroad Company, and for other purposes.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee offered the following additional section which was received, viz ;

And be it further enacted, That any person holding the amount of one thousand shares of the stock in said Company may compel the President thereof to call together the stockholders for the purpose of transacting any business relating to said Company.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the Committee on the bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Baker and Early. On motion of Mr. Irvin, the blank in said bill was filled with the name of Miller, in honor of the late A. J. Miller. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and on the question of its passage the yeas and nays were by Mr. Johnson of Cass, required to be recorded. There are yeas 65, nays 26.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Graybill,	Pickett,
Barton,	Harrell,	Porter,
Boyd,	Harrison,	Powell,
Brown of Camden,	Haynie,	Reid,
Browning,	Headen,	Richards,
Burnett,	Hill,	Rumph
Butts,	Hilliard,	Sapp,
Caldwell of Walker,	Irvin,	Sharman,
Connally,	Johnson of Carroll,	Simmons,
Causey,	Jones of Muscogee,	Slocumb,
Cobb,	Kilgore,	Smith of Bryan,
Cottle,	Kitchens,	Smith of Clinch,
Crook,	Lawton,	Smith of Union,
Davis of Bibb,	Matthews,	Stamper,
Davis of Polk,	McCants,	Swearingen,
Dorminy,	McClary,	Taylor,
Dozier,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Tharpe,
Edenfield,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Thompson,
Faulk,	McLenan,	Thornton,
Fields,	Parks,	Wood,
Gordon,	Paris,	Walton,
Graham,	Peterson,	Whitworth,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Johnson of Cass,	Roberts,
Battle,	King of McIntosh,	Solomon,
Beall,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Hancock,
Brown of Burke,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Tatt'nall,
Cannon,	Lewis of Hancock,	Spinks,
Carlton,	Maynor,	Stephens,
Cornwell,	McLean,	Ward,
Harris of Meriwe'r,	Myers,	Watts,
Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Phinizy,	

So the bill was passed.

The House adjourned until 7 o'clock, P. M.

SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank in the town of Morgan to be called the Bank of Morgain. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Milledge in the Chair,) on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Mason Tiller of the county of Lee. The same was amended by striking out \$395 65cts. and inserting in lieu thereof \$162 95cts. After sometime spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House with the amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of James Roundtree. The same was amended by extending its provisions to James Suggs. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Milledge in the Chair,) on the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to pay Jules Dautell for expenses incurred by him in pursuing, apprehending and bringing to conviction, Martin Kelsey for the crime of robbery. The committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read third time and upon the question Shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were by Mr. Dawson, required to be recorded. There are yeas 41, nays 45.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs :

Anderson,	Carlton,	Jones of Muscogee,
Amiss,	Crook,	King of McIntosh,
Barton,	Davis of Bibb,	Lawton,
Bartlett,	Felton,	Lewis of Greene,
Battle,	Graves,	Lowe,
Boykin of Scriven	Harris of Fulton,	Matthews,
Brown of Camden,	Harrison,	McClary,
Browning,	Haynie,	M'Connel of Catoosa
Burnett,	Hilliard,	M'Connel of Gord'n,
Butts,	Irvin,	McLean,
Caldwell of Walker	Johnson of Carroll,	Milledge,

Paris,	Richards,	Thornton.
Peterson,	Sinquefield,	Wood,
Porter,	Tatom,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs :

Avery,	Headen,	Sapp,
Boyd,	Johnson of Cass,	Sharman,
Cannon,	Johnson of Henry,	Solomon,
Connally,	Kilgore,	Smith of Bryan,
Cooper,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Clinch,
Cornwell,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Hancock,
Cottle,	Maynor,	Smith of Tattnell,
Davis of Polk,	Myers,	Spinks,
Dawson,	Owen,	Stamper,
Dozier,	Phinizy,	Taylor,
Faulk,	Pickett,	Tharpe,
Fields,	Powell,	Thompson,
Gordon,	Roberts,	Ward,
Graham,	Rozier,	Watts,
Harrell,	Rumph,	Whitworth,
Harris of Meriwe'r		

So the bill was lost.

The bill to be entitled an act to remove the Penitentiary of this State, to appropriate money for the same, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was made the special order for Saturday the 16th instant.

The bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Company to be called the Western and Atlantic Railroad Company, and to lease to said Company the Western and Atlantic Railroad for the term of twenty years, was made the special order for Friday the 15th instant.

The House took up the report of the Committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize Ransom Rogers, sen., of the county of Scriven, to practice medicine and to charge for the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Milledge in the Chair,) on the bill to be entitled an act to compensate John T. Riley, William H. Whitfield and John D. Crawford for services rendered. After sometime spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment.—The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize Ephraim Youn of the county of Telfair, to peddle in the counties of Telfair and Montgomery without paying any fee for license for the same.—The same was amended by striking out Montgomery ; also, by authorizing Richard B. Dickson to peddle in the county of Clark, and Henry Stewart to peddle in the county of Ca-

toosa. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

Permission was obtained by Mr. Sapp to report a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Superintendant of the Western and Atlantic Railroad to establish a Depot, &c., which was read the first time.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to make executors or administrators liable for costs in certain cases. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Milledge in the Chair,) on the bill to be entitled an act to provide for the preservation of the public records, and for other purposes. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize Thomas R. Gibbs, an infirm man of the county of Cherokee, to peddle in the county of Cherokee without paying license. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Jones of Muscogee in the Chair,) on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of James Estes of Troup county. On motion, the sum mentioned in the bill was stricken out. The committee then arose and through their Chairman, reported the same back to the House as amended, when on motion of Mr. Lewis of Hancock, the House adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Lewis of Hancock, so much of the Journals of yesterday was reconsidered as relates to the rejection of the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Hancock Internal Improvement and Banking Company, and to confer certain privileges on the same.

On motion, the House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the building, opening and constructing a railroad from some point in the county of Union or in the county of Fannin, which may be agreed upon by the Directors of said railroad, or a majority of them hereinafter mentioned, running up the valley of Little Hightower river in the county of Union, to connect with the Northeastern Railroad (now contemplated) in the county of Rabun or Habersham, or with some other railroad or

contemplated railroad, and to grant corporate powers and privileges to the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage the yeas and nays were required to be recorded by Mr. Smith of Union, and are yeas 63, nays 52.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Headen,	Paris,
Barton,	Hill,	Peterson,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hilliard,	Powell,
Brown of Camden,	Hoyle,	Pruitt,
Browning,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Reid,
Butts,	Hughes,	Richards,
Caldwell of Walker,	Irvin,	Rozier,
Calloway,	Johnson of Carroll,	Rumph,
Cannon,	Johnson of Elbert,	Simmons,
Causey,	Julian,	Sinquefield,
Cobb,	King of Fayette,	Slocumb,
Cooper,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Clinch,
Crook,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Tattall,
Davis of Bibb,	Kitchens,	Smith of Union,
Dorminy,	McClary,	Stamper,
Dozier,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Swearingen,
Faulk,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Terhune,
Graves,	McLean,	Tharpe,
Harrell,	Myers,	Thompson,
Harris of Dougherty,	Pafford,	Ward,
Haynie,	Parks,	Williams,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Harris of Mcfiwet'r,	Phinizy,
Amiss,	Harrison,	Pickett,
Barton,	Hudson of Harris,	Porter,
Bartlett,	Jones of Muscogee,	Roberts,
Battle,	Kilgore,	Sapp,
Beall,	Lane,	Sharman,
Boyd,	Lawton,	Solomon,
Brantley,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Bryan,
Brown of Burke,	Lowe,	Smith of Hancock,
Brown of Talbot,	Matthews,	Spinks,
Carlton,	Maynor,	Stephens,
Connally,	McLennan,	Tatom,
Cornwell,	Milledge,	Taylor,
Cottle,	Montgomery,	Walton,
Dawson,	Moore,	Watts,
Felton,	Owen,	Whitworth,
Gordon,	Phillips,	Wiggins,
Graybill,		

So the bill was passed.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled, signed by the President of the Senate, and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to amend an act entitled an act to alter and change the mode of appointing trustees of Glynn county Academy in the county of Glynn, and to compel their Treasurer to give bond and security for the faithful performance of his duty, and for other purposes.

Also, an act to compensate the Petit Jurors of Dougherty, Lee, Worth, Calhoun and Polk counties.

Also, an act for the relief of David A. Walker of the county of Harris, a minor in the twenty-first year of his age.

Also, an act to incorporate the Hydrant Water Company of Columbus.

Also, an act to regulate the fees of pilots for the port of Savannah.

And also, an act to repeal an act entitled an act to compel persons living in the county of Wayne to give in and pay their taxes in said county, for all property in the State, so far as relates to the counties of Glynn and Camden, and for other purposes.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit :

A bill to compel owners of slaves in Effingham county to employ a white man on their farms or plantations.

A bill to limit the time of service of Grand and Petit Jurors in the city Court of Savannah, and to exempt Keepers of Cemeteries from service on Juries.

A bill to confer certain additional powers on the Mayor of the city of Savannah.

A bill to incorporate the town of Morgan in Calhoun county, &c,

A bill to incorporate a bank in the town of Ringold, to be called the Northwestern Bank of Georgia.

A bill to confer certain privileges on John Q. Spires of Lincoln county, and to give him authority to transact business as though he were of full age.

A bill to incorporate the town of Lamar in the county of Baker.

A bill to point out the mode or manner of collecting magistrates' and constables' fees in the county of Chatham, and to amend an act to repeal an act to extend the civil jurisdiction of the Justices of the Peace, &c.

A bill to alter and amend the 6th section of an act approved 11th February, 1854, entitled an act to incorporate the Dalton and Copper Mine Turnpike, Plank and Railroad Company, and to allow the Company to build a Turnpike, Plank or Railroad.

A bill to incorporate the town of New Gibraltar in DeKalb county, and also the town of Tunnel Hill in Whitfield county, and for other purposes therein named.

A bill to repeal an act defining the duties of the Inferior Court of Jackson county, in relation to building bridges.

A bill to authorize Asa Houston Langston of Hart county to practise medicine in this State, &c.

A bill to authorise James O. Hunt of the county of Harris to practise medicine, &c.

A bill to exempt the active members of the Young America Fire Company from Jury and Militia duty.

A bill to incorporate the town of Warsaw. •

A bill to compensate the Sheriff of the county of Wilkes and his deputies, in certain cases.

A bill to extend the charter of the Savannah Institution for Savings.

A bill to alter the session of the Inferior Court of Worth county.

The Senate has also concurred in the amendments of the House of Representatives to the following bills of the Senate, to-wit:

A bill to make legal the election of James Bush to the office of Ordinary of Early county, and to legalize the acts of John J. Pilcher, Deputy Ordinary of the county of Warren.

Also, a bill to lay out and organize a new county from Lee and Randolph, to repeal an act entitled an act to make permanent the public site in the county of Lee at Starkville, and to incorporate the same, to appoint commissioners, and to define their powers, approved December 26th, 1851, and to provide for the selection of a new county site, to locate permanently the public site of the county of Lee at Starkville, and to compensate the lot owners of the town of Webster.

Also, a bill to repeal so much of an act to add a part of Carroll county to the county of Heard, and establish an additional election precinct in the same, assented to December 20th, 1836, as relates to the adding a part of Carroll county to the county of Heard.

Also, a bill to incorporate the Union Coal and Iron Company of Georgia and Georgia Coal Mining Company.

The Senate has also agreed to the resolution of the House of Representatives instructing our Representatives in Congress to use their exertions in procuring the repeal of a law requiring all steamboats to provide themselves with life preservers, so far as the same relates to the Savannah river.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor through Mr. de Graffenried, his Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Governor has approved and signed the following act, to-wit :

An act to amend an act to incorporate a Bank in the city of Savannah, to be called the Mechanics and Trader's Bank, approved February 17th, 1854, to apply the provisions of

said act to the Bank of Commerce, and for other purposes therein named.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to amend an act to incorporate a Bank in the city of Savannah to be called the Mechanics and 'Traders' Bank, approved February 17th, 1854, to apply the provisions of said act to the Bank of Commerce, and for other purposes therein named.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Lewis of Hancock in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to enlarge and reconstruct the State Capitol, and for other purposes, which was the special order for to-day.

Mr. Crook offered as a substitute therefor, a bill to be entitled an act to reconstruct and rebuild the Capitol in the city of _____, and make the same permanent therein.

The same was ruled to be out of order by the Chair, and the committee arose and reported the same back to the House without amendment.

The substitute of Mr. Crook was again presented and taken up by sections.

Mr. Solomon moved to fill the blank in the first section with the word Milledgeville.

Upon this motion the yeas and nays were required by Mr. Terhune to be recorded, and are yeas 57, nays 60.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Harrell,	Phillips,
Barron,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	Phinizy,
Beall,	Harrison,	Pruitt,
Brown of Camden,	Haynie,	Reid,
Brown of Talbot,	Headen,	Rozier,
Browning,	Hill,	Rumph,
Burnett,	Hilliard,	Sharman,
Butts,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Sinquefield,
Calloway,	Hudson of Harris,	Slocumb,
Cobb,	Hughes,	Solomon,
Cooper,	Kilgore,	Smith of Bryan,
Dawson,	Lawton,	Smith of Clinch,
Dorminy,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Hancock,
Dozier,	McClary,	Smith of Tattall,
Edenfield,	McLean,	Swearingen,
Faulk,	Milledge,	Taylor,
Felton,	Myers,	Terhune,
Graves,	Pafford,	Thompson,
Graybill,	Peterson,	Walton,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Battle,	Brown of Burke,
Barton,	Boyd,	Caldwell of Walker
Bartlett,	Brantley,	Cannon,

Carlton,	Jones of Muscogee,	Paris,
Connally,	Julian,	Pickett,
Causey,	King of Fayette,	Powell,
Cornwell,	Kirkpatrick,	Richards,
Cottle,	Lane,	Roberts,
Crook,	Lewis of Greene,	Sapp,
Davis of Bibb,	Lowe,	Simmons,
Davis of Polk,	Matthews,	Spinks,
Fields,	Maynor,	Stamper,
Gordon,	McCants,	Stephens,
Graham,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Tatom,
Harris of Fulton,	McConnel of Gord'n	Tharpe,
Hoyle,	McLenan,	Ward,
Irvin,	Montgomery,	Watts.
Johnson of Carroll,	Moore,	Whitworth,
Johnson of Cass,	Owen,	Wiggins,
Johnson of Henry,	Parks,	Williams,

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Davis of Bibb moved to fill the blank referred to with the word Macon, and upon this the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 50, nays 70.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Dorminy,	Owen,
Barron,	Faulk,	Pafford,
Barton,	Felton,	Paris,
Bartlett,	Gordon,	Peterson,
Battle,	Graves,	Powell,
Brantley,	Harrell,	Sharman,
Brown of Burke,	Hudson of Harris,	Simmons,
Brown of Camden,	Irvin,	Slocumb,
Brown of Talbot,	Jones of Muscogee,	Smith of Clinch,
Caldwell of Walker,	Kirkpatrick,	Spinks,
Carlton,	Lawton,	Stamper,
Causey,	Lewis of Hancock,	Swearingen,
Cobb,	Matthews,	Tatom,
Cottle,	McCants,	Ward,
Crook,	McClary,	Wiggins,
Davis of Bibb,	McLenan,	Williams,
Dawson,	Moore,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Cannon,	Graybill,
Amiss,	Connally,	Harris of Fulton,
Beall,	Cooper,	Harris of Meriwet'r,
Boyd,	Cornwell,	Harrison,
Boykin of Scriven,	Davis of Polk,	Haynie,
Browning,	Dozier,	Headen,
Burnett,	Edenfield,	Hill,
Butts,	Fields,	Hilliard,
Calloway,	Graham,	Hoyle,

Hudson of Gwin'tt,	McConnel of Gord'n	Rozier,
Hughes,	McLean,	Rumph,
Johnson of Carroll,	Milledge.	Sapp,
Johnson of Cass,	Montgomery	Sinquefield,
Johnson of Henry,	Myers,	Solomon,
Julian,	Parks,	Smith of Bryan,
Kilgore,	Phillips,	Smith of Hancock,
King of Fayette,	Phinizy,	Smith of Tattnall,
King of McIntosh,	Pickett,	Stephens,
Lane,	Porter,	Taylor,
Lewis of Greene,	Pruitt,	Terhune,
Lowe,	Reid,	Walton,
Maynor,	Richards,	Watts,
M'Connel of Catoosa	Roberts,	Whitworth,

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Fields moved to fill said blank with the word Atlanta, but the hour of half past one having arrived, the House adjourned until half past 3 o'clock P. M.

HALF PAST THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Bradford on account of ill health, and to Mr. Wood for a few days on special business.

The House resumed the unfinished business of the morning, to-wit, the motion of Mr. Fields to fill the blank in the first section of the bill offered by Mr. Crook as a substitute for the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to rebuild, &c., the State Capitol, with the word Atlanta. The yeas and nays were required to be recorded thereon, and are yeas 44, nays 67.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Hill,	McConnel of Gord'n
Barton,	Hoyle,	Montgomery,
Boyd,	Johnson of Carroll,	Owen,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Cass,	Parks,
Cannon,	Johnson of Henry,	Paris,
Carlton,	Julian,	Pickett,
Connally,	King of Fayette,	Richards,
Cornwell.	Kirkpatrick,	Roberts,
Crook,	Lane,	Sapp,
Davis of Polk.	Lewis of Greene,	Spinks,
Dawson,	Lewis of Hancock,	Stephens,
Fields,	Lowe,	Tatom,
Gordon,	Maynor,	Watts,
Graham,	McCants,	Whitworth,
Harris of Fulton,	M'Connel of Catoosa	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Graybill,	Porter,
Avery,	Harrell,	Powell,
Barron,	Harris of Dough'ty,	Pruitt,
Bartlett,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Reid,
Battle,	Harrison,	Rozier,
Beall,	Haynie,	Rumph,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hilliard,	Simmons,
Brown of Burke,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Sinquefield,
Brown of Camden,	Hudson of Harris,	Slocumb,
Browning,	Hughes,	Solomon,
Burnett,	Kilgore,	Smith of Bryan,
Butts,	Kitchens,	Smith of Clinch,
Calloway,	Lawton,	Smith of Hancock,
Causey,	McClary,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cobb,	McLean,	Swearingen,
Cooper,	McLenan,	Taylor,
Daniel,	Milledge,	Terhune,
Davis of Bibb,	Myers,	Tharpe,
Dorminy,	Pafford,	Thompson,
Dozier,	Peterson,	Walton,
Edenfield,	Phillips,	Ward,
Faulk,	Phinizy,	Williams.
Graves,		

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Ward moved to insert "Indian Springs," which was lost.

Mr. Hoyle moved to fill the blank with the words Stone Mountain, and upon this proposition required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 31, nays 65.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Johnson of Cass,	Parks,
Boyd,	Johnson of Henry,	Paris,
Caldwell of Walker,	Julian,	Pickett,
Crook,	Kilgore,	Richards,
Davis of Polk,	King of Fayette,	Roberts,
Fields,	Kirkpatrick,	Sapp,
Graham,	Lane,	Spinks,
Harris of Fulton,	Maynor,	Stephens,
Hoyle,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Watts.
Hudson of Gwin'tt.	Montgomery,	Whitworth,
Johnson of Carroll,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Beall,	Calloway,
Barron,	Boykin of Scriven,	Cannon
Barton,	Brown of Burke,	Causey,
Bartlett,	Burnett,	Cobb
Battle,	Butts,	Cooper,

Cornwell,	Hudson of Harris,	Rumph,
Daniel,	Jones of Muscogee,	Simmons,
Davis of Bibb,	Kitchens,	Sinquefield,
Dawson,	Lewis of Greene,	Slocumb,
Dorminy,	McClary,	Solomon,
Dozier,	McLean,	Smith of Bryan,
Edenfield,	McLenan,	Smith of Clinch,
Faulk,	Milledge,	Smith of Hancock,
Graves,	Myers,	Smith of Tattual,
Graybill,	Owen,	Taylor,
Harrell,	Pafford,	Terhune,
Harris of Dougherty,	Peterson,	Tharpe,
Harris of Meriwet'r,	Phillips,	Thompson,
Harrison,	Phinazy,	Thornton,
Haynie,	Pruitt,	Ward,
Hill,	Reid,	Williams,
Hilliard,		

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Brantley moved to fill the same with the word Griffin which was lost.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee proposed to fill the blank with the word Savannah, and required the yeas and nays to be recorded thereon. There are yeas 21, nays 70.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barton,	King of McIntosh,	Milledge,
Boykin of Scriven,	Kirkpatrick,	Pickett,
Brown of Camden,	Lawton,	Powell,
Caldwell of Walker,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Bryan,
Dawson,	Matthews,	Tatom,
Hughes,	McLean,	Thornton,
Johnson of Cass,	McLenan,	Williams,
Jones of Muscogee,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Crook,	Hilliard,
Barron,	Daniel,	Hoyle,
Bartlett,	Davis of Bibb,	Hudson of Gwinnett
Battle,	Davis of Polk,	Hudson of Harris,
Beall,	Dorminy,	Johnson of Carroll,
Boyd,	Dozier,	King of Fayette,
Brantley,	Faulk,	Kitchens,
Browning,	Fields,	Lane,
Butts,	Graves,	Lewis of Greene,
Calloway,	Harrell,	Maynor,
Cannon,	Harris of Dougherty,	McClary,
Connally,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	M'Connel of Catoosa
Causey,	Harrison,	McConnel of Goid'n
Cobb,	Haynie,	Myers,
Cooper,	Headen,	Pafford,
Cornwell,	Hill,	Phillips,

Phinizy,	Simmons,	Spinks,
Pruitt,	Sinquefield,	Stephens,
Reid,	Slocumb,	Swearingen,
Richards,	Solomon,	Tharpe,
Rozier,	Smith of Clinch,	Ward,
Rumph,	Smith of Hancock,	Watts,
Sapp,	Smith of Tattnall,	Whitworth,
Sharman,	Smith of Union,	

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Thornton moved to fill the blank with the word Brunswick, which was also lost.

Mr. Phillips proposed to strike out all after the enacting clause in the substitute offered, and to insert in lieu thereof the following—"That the sum of thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated to make the needful and necessary repairs to the State Capitol, and that the same be expended by his Excellency the Governor as he may deem best for the accomplishment of that object."

Mr. Crook moved to lay the original bill and substitute on the table for the balance of the Session, upon which Mr. Terhune required the yeas and nays to be recorded, and are yeas 37, nays 77.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barron,	Fields,	Montgomery,
Barton,	Hoyle,	Pickett,
Bartlett,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Richards,
Battle,	Johnson of Carroll,	Roberts,
Brantley,	Johnson of Henry,	Sharman,
Caldwell of Walker,	Julian,	Smith of Tattnall,
Connally,	King of Fayette,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Lewis of Greene,	Tharpe,
Crook,	Lowe,	Watts,
Daniel,	Maynor,	Whitworth,
• Davis of Bibb,	M'Connel of Gordon,	Wiggins,
Davis of Polk,	McLean,	Williams,
Dorminy,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Calloway,	Gordon,
Amiss,	Cannon,	Graham,
Avery,	Carlton,	Graves,
Beall,	Causey,	Graybill,
Boyd,	Cobb,	Harrell,
Boykin of Scriven,	Cornwell,	Harris of Dough'ty,
Brown of Burke,	Dawson,	Harris of Meriwe'r,
Brown of Camden,	Dozier,	Harrison,
Browning,	Edenfield,	Hayne,
Burnett,	Faulk,	Headen,
Butts,	Felton,	Hill,

Hilliard,	McLenan,	Sapp,
Hudson of Harris,	Milledge,	Sinimons,
Hughes,	Myers,	Sinquefield,
Johson of Cass,	Owen,	Slocumb,
Jones of Muscogee,	Pafford,	Solomon,
King of McIntosh,	Parks,	Smith of Bryan
Kirkpatrick,	Paris,	Smith of Clinch
Kitchens,	Peterson,	Smith of Hancock
Lane,	Phillips,	Spinks,
Lawton,	Phinizy,	Swearingen,
Lewis of Hancock,	Porter,	Tatom,
Matthews,	Powell,	Taylor,
McCants,	Pruitt,	Terhune,
McClary,	Reid,	Ward,
M'Connel of Catoosa	Rumph,	

So the motion to postpone indefinitely was lost.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock moved to fill the blank in the amendment of Mr. Phillips with "twenty-five thousand." The same was lost.

Mr. Haynie moved to insert five thousand dollars, which was also lost.

Mr. Terhune proposed to fill the same with three thousand dollars. This motion being lost, the amendment was withdrawn, leaving the substitute before the House.

Mr. Crook then withdrew the same.

Mr. Lewis of Greene offered as a substitute for the original bill, a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to repair the State House, and to provide for its future reconstruction or removal.

On motion, the blank in the first section was filled with "one thousand."

The House adjourned until 7 o'clock, P. M.

SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and on motion of Mr. Lewis of Hancock, the bill for the relief of James Estes of the county of Troup was laid on the table for the present.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Milledge in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Felix Sowers of the county of Fulton. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Stephens, the same was indefinitely postponed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the

bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to carry into effect the amended Constitution of this State in reference to the Ordinaries of said State and for other purposes, assented to January 21st, 1852. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to confer certain privileges upon Robert H. Lampkin of the county of Greene, and to make lawful his acts, and to give him authority to transact business as though he were of full age. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Taylor and Marion, so as to include lots of land No. 243 in the third district, and 33 in the twelfth district, now in the county of Marion in the county of Taylor.

Mr. Johnson offered to amend the same by changing the line between the counties of Cass and Cherokee, so as to add to the county of Cass lot No. 298, 23d district and 2d section, which is now in the county of Cherokee. The same was received. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act regulating the weighing of cotton and other commodities. The report of the committee was agreed to.

Mr. Hudson of Harris offered as a substitute therefor, a bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act to regulate the weighing of cotton and other commodities in this State, approved February 7th, 1854, and for other purposes.

Mr. Johnson of Cass offered to amend by exempting from inspection and inspection duties, flour made from wheat or other grain, which may be shipped to any town or city in this State for export or transhipment. The same was received.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee offered the following amendment, viz :

Be it further enacted, That the weigher shall in all cases mark upon the receipt the amount which in his judgment should be deducted for dirt and water.

Upon this he required the yeas and nays to be recorded, and are yeas 26, nays 61.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Hilliard,	Kirkpatrick,
Avery,	Irvin,	Matthews,
Barron,	Johnson of Carroll,	McClary,
Battle,	Johnson of Cass,	McConnel of Gord'n
Brown of Camden,	Jones of Muscogee,	Paris,
Connally,	Kilgore,	Phillips,
Fields,	King of Fayette,	Roberts,

Rumph,	Swearingen,	Williams,
Simmons,	Thornton,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barton,	Graham,	Phinizy,
Bartlett,	Graybill,	Pickett,
Beall,	Harrell,	Powell,
Boyd,	Harrison,	Reid,
Boykin of Scriven,	Headen,	Rozier,
Brantley,	Hill,	Sinquefield,
Browning,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Solomon,
Butts,	Hudson of Harris	Smith of Clinch,
Cannon,	Hughes,	Smith of Hancock,
Carlton,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cobb,	Lane,	Spinks,
Cooper,	Maynor,	Stamper,
Cornwell,	McLean,	Tatom,
Crook,	McLenan,	Taylor,
Davis of Polk,	Murphy,	Tharpe,
Dawson,	Myers,	Walton,
Dozier,	Owen,	Ward,
Faulk,	Pafford,	Watts,
Felton,	Parks,	Whitworth,
Gordon,	Peterson,	Wiggins,

So the same was not received.

The substitute was adopted. The bill was read the third time and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were, by Mr. Jones of Muscogee, required to be recorded, and are yeas 78, nays 12.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Dorminy,	King of Fayette,
Bartlett,	Dozier,	King of McIntosh,
Battle,	Edenfield,	Lane,
Beall,	Faulk,	Lawton,
Boyd,	Felton,	Lewis of Hancock,
Boykin of Scriven,	Fields,	Matthews,
Brown of Camden,	Gordon,	Maynor,
Browning,	Graham,	McClary,
Burnett,	Graves,	McConnel of Gord'n
Butts,	Harrell,	McLean,
Caldwell of Walker,	Headen,	McLenan,
Cannon,	Hill,	Myers,
Carlton,	Hilliard,	Owen,
Connally,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Pafford,
Causey,	Hudson of Harris,	Parks,
Cooper,	Hughes,	Paris,
Cornwell,	Johnson of Carroll,	Peterson,
Crook,	Johnson of Cass,	Phinizy,
Davis of Polk,	Johnson of Henry,	Pickett,
Dawson,	Kilgore,	Porter,

Powell,	Smith of Hancock,	Thompson,
Rumph,	Smith of Tattnall,	Thornton,
Sharman,	Stamper,	Walton,
Simmons,	Tatom,	Ward,
Sinquefield,	Taylor,	Whitworth,
Slocumb,	Tharpe,	Wiggins,
Solomon,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barton,	Milledge,	Smith of Bryan,
Brown of Burke,	Montgomery,	Spinks,
Irvin,	Phillips,	Swearingen,
Jones of Muscogee,	Reid,	Terhune,
Kirkpatrick,		

So the bill was passed.

The House then adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and resumed the unfinished business of yestersday, viz: the bill and substitute relative to the reconstruction, &c., of the Capitol.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock, offered the following as an additional section, viz :

Be it further enacted; That the Governor be requested to publish in his proclamation submitting this question of removal to the people, accurate estimates of the cost of actual removal and the cost of repairing the present building, so as to put in first rate repair for purposes of the Government.

Mr. Lewis of Greene, offered to amend the amendment with the following, viz :

Provided that the estimates for said repairs shall not exceed ten thousand dollars. The same was received. The amended amendment was lost.

The yeas and nays were required to be recorded on the question of adopting the substitute, and are yeas 63, nays 53.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Connally,	Gordon,
Barton,	Causey,	Graham,
Bartlett,	Cobb,	Harrell,
Battle,	Cooper,	Harris of Fulton,
Boyd,	Cornwell,	Harrison,
Brantley,	Crook,	Hill,
Browning,	Daniel,	Hoyle,
Caldwell of Walker,	Davis of Polk,	Hudson of Gwin'tt
Cannon,	Felton,	Hudson of Harris,
Carlton,	Fields,	Johnson of Carroll,

Johnson of Cass,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Roberts,
Julian,	M'Connel of Gordon	Sapp,
King of Fayette,	McLean,	Sharman,
Kirkpatrick,	Montgomery,	Sinquefield,
Kitchens,	Owen,	Spinks,
Lane,	Parks,	Stephens,
Lewis of Greene,	Paris,	Thompson,
Lowe,	Peterson,	Watts,
Matthews,	Pickett,	Whitworth.
Maynor,	Powell,	Wiggins,
McCants,	Richards,	Williams,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Headen,	Rozier,
Avery,	Hilliard,	Rumph,
Barron,	Irvin,	Simmons,
Beall,	Johnson of Elbert,	Slocumb,
Boykin of Scriven,	Johnson of Henry,	Solomon,
Brown of Burke,	Jones of Muscogee,	Smith of Bryan,
Brown of Camden,	Kilgore,	Smith of Clinch,
Burnett,	Lawton,	Smith of Hancock,
Butts,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Tattnall,
Calloway,	McClary,	Stamper.
Dawson,	Milledge,	Swearingen,
Dorminy,	Myers,	Tatom,
Edenfield,	Pafford,	Taylor,
Faulk,	Phillips,	Terhune,
Graves,	Phinzy,	Tharpe,
Harris of Dougherty	Porter,	Thornton,
Harris of Meriwet'r,	Pruitt,	Ward,
Haynie,	Reid,	

So the same was adopted.

The bill was read the third time and upon the question Shall this bill now pass? the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 61, nays 56.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs :

Amiss,	Crook,	Johnson of Henry,
Barton,	Daniel,	Julian,
Bartlett,	Davis of Polk,	King of Fayette,
Battle,	Faulk,	Kirkpatrick,
Boyd,	Fields,	Kitchens,
Brantley,	Gordon,	Lane.
Brown of Talbot,	Graham,	Lewis of Greene,
Caldwell of Walker	Harrell,	Lowe,
Cannon,	Harris of Fulton,	Matthews,
Carlton,	Harrison,	Maynor,
Connally,	Haynie,	McCants,
Causey,	Hoyle,	M'Connel of Catoosa
Cooper,	Johnson of Carroll,	M'Connel of Gord'n,
Cornwell,	Johnson of Cass,	Montgomery,

Murphy,	Roberts,	Tatom,
Owen,	Sapp,	Thompson,
Parks,	Sharman,	Watts,
Parris,	Sinquefield,	Whitworth,
Pickett,	Smith of Union,	Wiggins,
Powell,	Spinks,	Williams,
Richards,	Stephens,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs :

Anderson,	Hill,	Phinizy,
Avery,	Hilliard,	Porter,
Barron,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Pruitt,
Beall,	Hudson of Harris,	Reid,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hughes,	Rozier,
Brown of Camden,	Irvin,	Rumph,
Browning,	Johnson of Elbert,	Simmons,
Burnett,	Jones of Muscogee,	Solomon,
Butts,	Kilgore,	Smith of Bryan,
Calloway,	Lawton,	Smith of Clinch,
Cobb,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Hancock,
Dawson,	McClary,	Smith of Tattall,
Dorminy,	McLean,	Stamper,
Dozier,	Milledge,	Swearingen,
Felton,	Myers,	Taylor,
Graves,	Pafford,	Tharpe,
Harris of Dougherty,	Peterson,	Thornton.
Harris of Meriwe'r,	Phillips,	Ward,
Headen,		

So the bill was passed.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled, signed by the President of the Senate and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to amend the several acts in relation to the town of Athens.

Also, an act to make legal the election of James Bush to the office of Ordinary of Early county, and William Griffin of Calhoun county, and to legalize the acts of John J. Pilcher, Deputy Ordinary of the county of Warren.

Also, an act to change the lines between several counties therein named, and for other purposes,

And also, an act to amend an act entitled an act to alter and change the mode of appointing Trustees of Glynn County Academy of the county of Glynn, and to compel their Treasurer to give bond and security for the faithful performance of his duty, and for other purposes.

The following message from his Excellency the Governor, was received through Mr. deGraffieried, his Secretary :

Mr. Speaker :—I am directed by the Governor to transmit to this branch of the General Assembly a communication in writing with accompanying documents.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
 MILLEDGEVILLE, GEO., Feb. 13th, 1856. }

To the House of Representatives :

In compliance with his request, I herewith transmit a communication from John H. Howard, asking an appropriation to refund to him the amount expended, in payment of Counsel, in defending the right of the State of Georgia to high-water mark, on the western bank of the Chattahoochee river before the Supreme Court of the United States, upon his account being audited in a proper and satisfactory manner by a Commissioner.

HERSCHEL V. JOHNSON.

On motion of Mr. Irvin, the message and communication mentioned therein, were referred to a special committee of five, consisting of Messrs. Irvin, Jones of Muscogee, Lawton, Lewis of Greene and Crook.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Irvin in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Planters' Club of Hancock county, and for other purposes. After some time spent therein the committee arose, and through their chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to.—The bill was read the third time and passed.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled, signed by the President of the Senate and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to incorporate the Union Coal and Iron Company of Georgia, and Georgia Coal Mining Company and the Pocahontas Mining Company.

The memorial of the Bank of Augusta, the Planters Bank of the State of Georgia and others, holding bona fide unpaid bills of the Bank of Darien, was referred to a special committee consisting of Messrs. Milledge, Irvin, Lawton, Crook and Harris of Fulton.

Mr. Smith of Union offered the following resolution, which on motion was taken up and read, viz :

Resolved, That after to-day the resolution on the subject of meeting and adjournment be and the same is rescinded, and that the following hours shall be substituted in lieu thereof: Meet at 9½ A. M., adjourn at 1 P. M., meet at 3 P. M., adjourn at 5½ P. M., meet at 7½ P. M., and adjourn at 9½ P. M.

Mr. Harris of Fulton moved to strike out 1 P. M. and insert 1½ P. M. Upon this motion the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 39, nays 63.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Brown of Camden,	Cornwell,
Amiss,	Brown of Talbot,	Daniel,
Battle,	Butts,	Graham,
Beall,	Carlton,	Graves,

Graybill,	Lowe,	Smith of Hancock,
Harris of Fulton,	Matthews,	Smith of Tattnall,
Harris of Meriwe'r,	McClary,	Spinks,
Hoyle,	McLean,	Swearingen,
Hughes,	Myers,	Tatom,
Johnson of Carroll,	Parks,	Terhune,
Johnson of Henry,	Phillips,	Tharpe,
King of Fayette,	Pickett,	Whitworth,
Lawton,	Porter,	Wiggins,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barron,	Harrison,	Paris,
Bartlett,	Haynie,	Peterson,
Boyd,	Headen,	Powell,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hilliard,	Pruitt,
Brantley,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Reid,
Browning,	Hudson of Harris,	Roberts,
Burnett,	Irvin,	Rumph,
Cannon,	Johnson of Cass,	Sapp,
Connally,	Johnson of Elbert,	Sharman,
Causey,	Julian,	Simmons,
Cobb,	Kilgore,	Sinquefield,
Cooper,	Kirkpatrick,	Slocumb,
Cottle,	Lane,	Solomon,
Crook,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Bryan,
Davis of Polk,	Maynor,	Smith of Clinch,
Dawson,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Smith of Union,
Dorminy,	M'Connel of Gord'n,	Stephens,
Dozier,	McLenan,	Thompson,
Edenfield,	Montgomery,	Thornton,
Faulk,	Moore,	Walton,
Fields,	Owen,	Watts,
Harrell,	Paftord,	Williams,

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Montgomery moved to lay the resolution on the table for the balance of the Session. Upon this proposition the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 52, nays 56.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barton,	Dawson,	Jones of Muscogee,
Bartlett,	Graham,	Julian,
Beall,	Graybill,	Kirkpatrick,
Boyd,	Harris of Dough'ty,	Lane,
Brantley,	Harris of Fulton,	Lawton,
Brown of Talbot,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Lowe,
Burnett,	Headen,	Matthews,
Butts,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	M'Connel of Catoosa,
Cannon,	Irvin,	Milledge,
Connally,	Johnson of Cass,	Montgomery,
Causey,	Johnson of Henry,	Paris,

Pickett,	Sharman.	Tharpe,
Powell,	Sinquefield,	Thornton,
Pruitt,	Solomon,	Whitworth,
Reid,	Spinks,	Wiggins,
Rozier,	Swearingen,	Williams,
Sapp,	Tatom,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Harrison,	Phillips,
Amiss,	Hill,	Phinizy,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hilliard,	Porter,
Brown of Camden,	Hoyle.	Richards,
Browning,	Hudson of Harris,	Roberts,
Carlton,	Hughes,	Rumph,
Cobb,	Johnson of Carroll,	Simmons,
Cooper,	Johnson of Elbert,	Slocumb,
Cornwell,	Kilgore,	Smith of Bryan,
Cottle,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Clinch,
Crook,	Maynor,	Smith of Hancock,
Daniel,	McClary,	Smith of Tattal,
Davis of Polk,	M'Connel of Gord'n,	Smith of Union,
Dorminy,	McLean,	Stamper,
Edenfield,	Moore,	Stephens,
Faulk,	Murphy,	Thompson,
Fields,	Myers,	Walton,
Gordon,	Pafford,	Ward,
Graves,	Peterson,	Watts,

So the motion to postpone indefinitely was lost.

The resolution was then agreed to without amendment.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

*Mr. Speaker :—*The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit :

A bill requiring persons owning lands in this State out of the counties in which they reside, to give in the number, county, section and district of the same, at the time it was granted, and for other purposes,

A bill to amend the several laws in relation to the exemption of certain property from levy and sale and to provide a mode for securing the same to the wife and children of the debtor.

A bill to make Jesse L. Bullock of Stewart county the heir at law of William Carter.

A bill to relieve executors and administrators from publishing notices of sales of insolvent papers in the public gazettes of this State.

A bill to require the State Printer to cause to be reported the proceedings of the Legislature.

A bill to prescribe the order of descent and succession of the estates of illegitimate persons who are intestate.

A bill to incorporate the Bank of Madison in the town of Madison.

The Senate has also passed the following bills of the House of Representatives, to-wit:

A bill for the relief of James M. Mitchell of the county of Muscogee.

A bill to repeal an act to amend the patrol laws of this State, approved February 20th, 1854, so far as relates to the county of Glynn.

A bill to make Walter R. Youlles of Wayne county the lawful heir of Walter Youlles.

A bill to exempt persons over forty-five years of age from patrol duty, and to shorten the time of service of patrol companies from six to three months.

A bill to incorporate Randolph College in the town of Cuthbert.

A bill to incorporate Columbus Fire Company No. 4.

A bill to incorporate Bibb County Orphan Asylum.

A bill to authorize the Inferior Court of Paulding county to levy an additional tax.

A bill to repeal an act to reduce the fees of the Tax Collectors hereafter to be elected in the county of Liberty.

A bill to authorize persons owning lands on any water courses in this State to ditch and embank the same so as to protect said lands from freshets.

A bill for the relief of Spencer Caldwell of the county of Clay.

A bill for the relief of Joseph L. Robinson of the county of Appling.

A bill to incorporate the Middle Ground Railroad, to provide for its organization, to define its rights and liabilities.

A bill to amend an act assented to 24th December, 1847, entitled an act to incorporate the Muscogee Asylum for the Poor, &c.

A bill to incorporate the Indian Springs Male and Female Academies, and appoint Trustees therefor.

A bill to change the name of the Augusta and Waynesboro' Railroad to the Augusta and Savannah Railroad, to amend the charter of said Company, and for other purposes.

A bill to incorporate Holmesville Lodge, number one hundred and ninety-five, of Free and Accepted Masons of the town of Holmesville, Appling county.

A bill to alter and amend an act entitled an act to carry into effect the amended Constitution of this State in reference to Ordinaries of this State, and for other purposes, assented to January 21st, 1852, so far as relates to the county of Tattnall.

A bill to change the residence of John W. Darracott from the county of Warren to the county of Taliaferro.

A bill to incorporate the Atlanta Gas Light Company.

A bill to authorize William Stroud, Administrator de bonis non upon the estate of William Parker, late of Clark county, deceased, to settle with and pay off Sheffield H. Parker, one of the heirs at law of said estate, and to legalize the same.

A bill to authorize Charles Cowart of the county of Clinch, and Harmon N. Sapp of the county of Lowndes, to vend goods, wares and merchandise within said counties.

A bill to make final disposition of the assets of the Central Bank, and for other purposes.

A bill to confer certain rights and privileges on Charles R. Jarratt, his heirs and assigns, for the term of twenty-five years.

A bill to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Chatham county to borrow money, and levy and collect an extraordinary tax for the building of a new jail for said county.

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to remove obstructions from the Big Satilla river, and to render the same navigable for timber rafts, lumber, wood, and other produce thereon, and for other purposes herein mentioned.

The Senate has also passed the following bills of the House of Representatives with amendments, in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives, to-wit:

A bill to submit the question of removal of the Court-house of Macon county to the people thereof.

A bill to authorize the Judges of the Inferior Courts of the counties of Liberty and McIntosh to appoint a competent Surveyor from their respective counties, to properly run out and define the boundary line between said counties.

A bill to reduce the number of jurors required for Coroner's inquest in the counties of this State.

A bill to incorporate Sandy Run Academy in the county of Houston, and to appoint Trustees for the same.

A bill for the relief of Margaret Marchman, formerly Margaret Watson of the county of Greene, and to change the name of said Margaret Marchman to that of Margaret Watson.

A bill to incorporate White Path Gold and Copper Mining Company of Northwestern Georgia.

A bill to authorize the Inferior Court of Catoosa county to levy an extra tax for county purposes upon the recommendation of the Grand Jury.

A bill to constitute Anistatia Lorentine Horn a sole trader.

A bill to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of the Columbus Iron Works Company.

A bill to change the line dividing the counties of Coweta

and Meriwether, and also to change the line dividing Pickens and Cherokee.

The bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor to issue bonds of the State under certain conditions and for certain purposes, was read the second time.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to protect the rights of the people of Georgia from violation by Congress or by other States, which was accepted by Mr. Jones of Muscogee in lieu of the original bill offered by him on this subject. The report was agreed to.

The House adjourned until 3½ o'clock, P. M.

HALF PAST THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and resumed the unfinished business of the morning, to-wit, the bill to be entitled an act to protect the rights of the people of Georgia from violation by Congress or by other States. The report on the same having been agreed to, the bill was read the third time and upon the question of its passage the yeas and nays were by Mr. Johnson of Cass required to be recorded. There are yeas 50, nays 54.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barron,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Owen,
Barton,	Haynie,	Phillips,
Boyd,	Hilliard,	Phinizy,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hughes,	Pruitt,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Carroll,	Reid,
Browning,	Johnson of Henry,	Richards,
Burnett,	Jones of Lowndes,	Sharman.
Connally,	Jones of Muscogee,	Sinquelfield,
Cobb,	Kilgore,	Smith of Bryan,
Cooper,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Tattnall,
Crook,	King of McIntosh,	Spinks,
Daniel,	Kitchens,	Stamper,
Dorminy,	Lawton,	Taylor,
Dozier,	Lewis of Greene,	Thompson.
Edenfield,	Lewis of Hancock,	Whitworth,
Graves,	McClary,	Wiggins,
Harrell,	Milledge,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Cannon,	Dawson,
Amiss,	Carlton,	Felton.
Avery,	Causey,	Fields,
Brantley,	Cornwell,	Gordon,
Butts,	Davis of Polk,	Graham,

Graybill,	McCants,	Simmons,
Harris of Fulton,	M'Connel of Gord'n,	Slocumb,
Harrison,	McLean,	Solomon,
Headen,	McLenan,	Smith of Clinch,
Hill,	Murphy,	Smith of Union,
Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Pafford,	Stephens,
Hudson of Harris,	Parks,	Swearingen,
Irvin;	Paris,	Tatom,
Johnson of Cass,	Peterson,	Terhune,
Julian,	Pickett,	Walton,
Kirkpatrick,	Porter,	Ward,
Lowe,	Powell,	Watts,
Matthews,	Roberts,	Williams,
Maynor,	Rumph,	

So the bill was lost.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Brown of Burke for a few days on account of special business.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, the rules were suspended for the purpose of disposing of bills of the House amended in the Senate.

The bill to be entitled an act to constitute Anistatia Lorentine Horn, wife of Alfred Horn, of Bibb county, a sole trader, was taken up, and the amendment of the Senate concurred in.

The House also concurred in the amendment of the Senate to the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Judges of the Inferior Courts of the counties of Liberty and McIntosh to appoint a competent Surveyor from their respective counties, to properly run out and define the boundary line between said counties.

The bill to be entitled an act to submit the question of removal of the Court-house of Macon county to the people thereof, which had been amended as follows by the Senate: Amend by striking out all after the words "said county" in the 2d section, and substituting the following in lieu thereof: "To negotiate for the new site elected, if in their judgment the same would be best for the interest of the county, to contract for the building of a new Court-house and Jail, and to do whatever may be necessary for the completion of the same."

Mr. Felton offered to amend said amendment by adding thereto—"And nothing herein contained shall be so construed by the Inferior Court as to give to them any control over the question of removal, other than the requirement to build a Court-house and Jail at the place designated by a majority of the votes in said election. The same was received, and the amendment as amended was concurred in.

The following bills were severally taken up, and the Senate amendments thereto were concurred in, viz:

A bill to be entitled an act to reduce the number of jurors

required for Coroner's inquests in the counties of this State.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Margaret Marchman, formerly Margaret Watson of the county of Greene, and to change the name of said Margaret Marchman to that of Margaret Watson.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of the Columbus Iron Works Company.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate White Path Gold and Copper Mining Company of Northwestern Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Catoosa county to levy an extra tax for county purposes upon the recommendation of the Grand Jury of said county.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the line dividing the counties of Coweta and Meriwether, and also to change the line dividing Pickens and Cherokee, so as to add lot of land No. 133, 23d Dist. 2d Sec. to Cherokee county.

And a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Sandy Run Academy in the county of Houston, and to appoint Trustees for the same.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend an act in relation to the measuring of timber and the appointment of measurers and inspectors, and to punish violations of the same.

The same was amended by adding after the word act in the 8th line of the first section, the words "passed the 4th of Feb. 1854." After the word same in the 13th line of said section, the words "or by any city authority, or may be acting as lumber measurers or inspectors under any former laws." After the word "stick" in the 18th line of said section, the words "or who shall charge any amount of fees greater than the aforesaid act allows." Also, by adding the following proviso, viz: "Provided that any other than a duly appointed measurer may be resorted to by agreement of the buyer and seller

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Bibb to levy an extra tax, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

The same was amended by striking out all between the word "annually" in the 8th line of the first section, and the word "said" in the twelfth line of the same," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "an advalorem tax of not more than 15 per cent. on the State tax of said county."

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The bill to be entitled an act for the relief of William H.

Clarke of Camden county, was on motion referred to the Finance Committee.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to add an additional clause to the sixteenth section and first article of the Constitution, restricting the General Assembly in the appropriation of money, &c., [which] was on motion indefinitely postponed.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled, signed by the President of the Senate, and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Lee and Randolph, to repeal an act entitled an act to make permanent the public site in the county of Lee at Starkville, and to incorporate the same, to designate the corporate limits thereof, to appoint commissioners for the same and to define their powers, approved December 26th, 1851 and to provide for the selection of a new county site, and for other purposes herein mentioned, approved February 7th, 1854, to locate permanently the public site of the county of Lee at Starkville, and to compensate the lot owners of the town of Webster, and for other purposes herein mentioned.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to compensate persons who may be compelled to attend the Superior Courts of this State as witnesses in behalf of the State, in counties other than where such person or persons may reside. The same was on motion indefinitely postponed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to ratify the organization and election of the first regiment, 1st Brigade, 1st Division, Georgia Militia, and for other purposes therein named. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to erect suitable monuments to the memory of Wm. H. Crawford, John Forsyth and Daniel Newman, was referred to the Finance Committee.

The bill to be entitled an act to determine what shall be sufficient allegations in indictments charging the offence of unlawful trading and dealing with slaves, was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Mrs. Jane Elizabeth Lott, wife of George Lott of Richmond county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend and add to the Penal Code. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the

bill to be entitled an act for the relief of William Waters, &c. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize Chas. T. P. Jarnagan and James R. Russell of Catoosa county, to practice medicine and surgery, and to collect for the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter, amend and add to the several laws relating to slaves and free persons of color. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary of Gwinnett county to pay certain teachers of poor children, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the county of Habersham to aid in the construction of the Northeastern or any other railroad running through Habersham county, by the issue of bonds and subscription of stock, &c., upon a vote of the citizens of said county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Rachael Holoman of the county of Carroll. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to fix the the time of holding elections of Judges of the Superior Courts, Attorney General and Solicitors General. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the collection of interest on open accounts. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Crawford H. Little, Tax Collector of the county of Franklin. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justice's Court to establish lost papers to the amount of their jurisdiction, and charge for the same as prescribed by this act. The same was indefinitely postponed.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Battle and Bartlett for a few days on account of special business.

The House adjourned until 7 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a railroad company to be called the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad Company, and for other purposes, was read the second time, committed for a third reading, and made the special order for Saturday next.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to exempt certain property of the city of Savannah from taxation. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the House to be entitled an act to alter and change the 2d section of act incorporating the Dalton and Gadsden Railroad Company.

Mr. Phillips offered the following as an additional section, which was received, viz ;

And be it further enacted, That the charter heretofore granted for the construction of the Dalton and Gadsden Railroad be and the same is hereby extended for the period of two years, in which the Company shall be required to begin said work.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to regulate the granting of new trials, approved 20th February, 1854. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize the City of Savannah to elect or appoint ten auctioners or vendue masters.

The same was so amended, on motion of Mr. Milledge, as to extend its provisions to the city of Augusta.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the Committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to alter, amend and explain Section 4th of an act entitled an act for the prevention of frauds and perjuries, approved Feb. 20th, 1854. The report was agreed to.— The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Athens Guards. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the Committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to regulate the collec-

tion of Jury fees in the Superior and Inferior Courts of the county of Coweta.

The same, on motion of Mr. Terhune, was so amended as to extend its provisions to the counties of Cass and Floyd.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act for the relief of Gabriel Sisk, an infirm and indigent citizen of the county of Habersham. Several amendments were received, when, on motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, the bill and amendments were laid on the table for the balance of the Session.

The House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to protect the planters of oyster beds and to give exclusive right to the usufruct of natural beds of oysters in certain cases, and to prevent the taking of terrapins and turtles in certain seasons. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to repeal an act to prevent the killing of deer at certain periods of the year in the counties of Burke and Worth, so far as relates to the county of Worth. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to reduce the Sheriff's bond of Tattnall county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to change the name of Austin G. L. Cheek to that of Martha G. L. Crider. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Sixes' Mining Company of Georgia. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to repeal an act passed 18th February, 1854, to provide for the education of the poor, so far as the counties of Habersham and Carroll are concerned, and to require the Ordinary of Chattooga county to pay the widow of Harrison H. Strange a certain sum therein named, so far as relates to the county of Habersham, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to repeal so much of an act entitled an act to lay out and organize the county of Fannin out of the counties of Gilmer and Union, or so much of said

act as includes a portion of the county of Murray, assented to on the 21st of January, 1854. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to alter and amend the 5th section of an act incorporating the Southern Botanico Medical College, approved Dec. 11, 1839.

Mr. Lewis of Greene moved to amend by adding the following as an additional section, which was received, viz :

Be it further enacted, That the name of the Southern Botanico Medical College be changed to that of the Reform Medical College, and that said College have all the rights and immunities under its new name that it possessed under its original title.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to make Sarah Catharine Simmons and John Jackson Simmons of the county of Dooly, the adopted heirs of Hardy Pitts and Nancy Pitts. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to compensate grand and petit jurors of the county of Catoosa.

Mr. Davis of Polk offered to amend by providing for the compensation of grand and petit jurors of the county of Polk. The same was received.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to authorize Constables in and for the counties of Telfair, Irwin and Coffee, who have taken oath and given bond in terms of the law, to serve any process whatever on the Sheriffs of their respective counties, and return the same to the Court from which such process issued. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize and require the Treasurer of Glynn County Academy to pay over certain monies in his hands. The report was agreed to.— The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act for the relief of Giles Widener of the county of Gordon. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Carroll county to levy and col-

lect an extra tax for the purpose of building a Court-house in said county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and committed for a third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act changing the Superior Courts of certain counties therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank to be located in the city of Macon to be called the Bank of Middle Georgia.

On motion, the House took up the resolution relative to a mail route between certain points therein mentioned, and amended the same by requesting the Governor to transmit a copy thereof to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress. The resolution as amended was agreed to, and the House adjourned until 9½ o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The memorial of Mark A. Cooper relative to the manufacture of iron, &c., was taken up, read, referred to a special committee, and one hundred and sixty copies of the same ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Phillips moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the passage of the bill to provide for the reconstruction or rebuilding of the State Capitol. On this motion the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 47, nays 74.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Phillips,
Boykin of Scriven,	Harrison,	Phinizy,
Brown of Camden,	Headen,	Porter,
Browning,	Hill,	Powell,
Burnett,	Hilliard,	Reid,
Butts,	Hudson of Harris,	Rozier,
Calloway,	Irvin,	Rumph,
Cobb,	Jones of Muscogee,	Smith of Bryan,
Dawson,	Jones of Warren,	Smith of Hancock,
Dorminy,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Tattnall,
Dozier,	Lawton,	Tatom,
Edenfield,	Lewis of Hancock,	Taylor,
Felton,	McClary,	Terhune,
Guyton,	McLean,	Ward,
Graves,	McLenan,	Warthen,
Graybill,	Milledge,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Hoyle,	Paris,
Avery,	Hudson of Gwin'tt	Peterson,
Barton,	Johnson of Carroll,	Pickett,
Boyd,	Johnson of Cass,	Fruitt,
Brantley,	Johnson of Elbert,	Richards,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Henry,	Roberts,
Caldwell of Walker,	Julian,	Sapp,
Cannon,	Kilgore,	Sharman,
Carlton,	King of Fayette,	Simmons,
Connally,	Kirkpatrick,	Sinquefield,
Causey,	Lane,	Slocumb,
Cooper,	Lewis of Greene,	Solomon,
Cornwell,	Lowe,	Smith of Clinch,
Cottle,	Matthews,	Smith of Union,
Crook,	Maynor,	Spinks,
Daniel,	McCants,	Stamper.
Davis of Polk,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Stephens,
Durden,	M'Connel of Gordon	Tharpe,
Faulk,	Montgomery,	Thompson,
Fields,	Moore,	Walton,
Gordon,	Murphy,	Watts,
Graham,	Myers,	Whitworth.
Harrell,	Owen,	Williams,
Harris of Fulton,	Pafford,	Wynn,
Haynie,	Parks,	

So the motion to reconsider was lost.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the rejection of the bill to be entitled an act to protect the rights of the people of Georgia from violation by Congress or by other States. The motion prevailed,

On motion of Mr. Phillips, the same was referred to the Committee on the State of the Republic.

Messrs. Milledge, Phillips, and Harris of Fulton were added to said Committee.

On motion of Mr. Hudson of Harris, so much of the Journals of yesterday was reconsidered as relates to the rejection of the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices' Courts to establish lost papers to the amount of their jurisdiction, and charge for the same, as prescribed by this act.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled, signed by the President of the Senate and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to organize the Court of Common Pleas for the city of Augusta, to change the name thereof, and to give it criminal jurisdiction in certain cases; also, to authorize and confer certain jurisdiction upon a Recorder's Court in said city, to authorize the City Council to subscribe for stock in

certain Railroad Companies, and to provide payment of the amount subscribed, to authorize the connection of Railroads in Augusta, to authorize the Savannah Valley Railroad Company to cross the Savannah River and be continued to Augusta with certain privileges, to provide for the registry of the names of all persons entitled to vote in elections in said city, to prevent persons whose names are not registered from voting, to prescribe an oath for voters, and to punish violations of this act in regard to said elections and voters.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Company to be called the Western and Atlantic Railroad Company, and to lease to said Company the Western and Atlantic Railroad for the term of twenty years, which was postponed until to-morrow, to be then taken up as unfinished business.

Mr. Phillips moved to take up the report of the committee on the bill to lend the aid of the State to the Brunswick and Florida Railroad Company, &c., which had been reconsidered.

Upon this motion, Mr. Lawton required the yeas and nays to be recorded, and are yeas 37, nays 76.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Davis of Polk,	Phillips,
Barron,	Dorminy,	Phinizy,
Boyd,	Edenfield,	Pruitt,
Brown of Talbot,	Graham,	Richards,
Caldwell of Walker,	Headen,	Rozier,
Cannon,	Hill,	Spinks,
Carlton,	Johnson of Henry,	Stamper,
Causey,	Julian,	Stephens,
Cobb,	Kilgore,	Taylor,
Cooper,	McLenan,	Ward,
Cornwell,	Murphy,	Watts,
Daniel,	Parks,	Whitworth,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Durden,	Hudson of Harris,
Avery,	Faulk,	Hughes,
Barton,	Felton,	Irvin,
Beall,	Fields,	Johnson of Carroll,
Boykin of Scriven,	Guyton,	Johnson of Cass,
Brantley,	Graybill,	Johnson of Elbert,
Brown of Camden,	Harris of Fulton,	Jones of Muscogee,
Browning,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Jones of Warren,
Burnett,	Harrison,	King of Fayette,
Butts,	Henderson,	Kirkpatrick,
Crook,	Hilliard,	Kitchens,
Dawson,	Hoyle,	Lane,
Dozier,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Lawton,

Lewis of Greene,	Peterson,	Smith of Clinch,
Lowe,	Pickett,	Smith of Hancock,
Matthews,	Porter,	Smith of Tattnall,
Maynor,	Powell,	Smith of Union,
McClary,	Reid,	Swearingen,
M'Connel of Catoosa,	Roberts,	Tatom,
McLean,	Rumph,	Terhune,
Milledge,	Sapp,	Tharpe,
Montgomery	Sharman,	Thompson,
Myers,	Sinquefield,	Walton,
Owen,	Slocumb,	Williams,
Pafford,	Solomon,	Wynn,
Paris,	Smith of Bryan,	

So the motion was lost.

The rules were suspended, and the House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Dawson in the Chair,) on the bill to be entitled an act to endow the Southern Botanical Medical College at Macon, Georgia.

On motion of Mr. Cook, the same was amended by striking out ten, and inserting in lieu thereof five thousand dollars.

The committee then arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House with amendment. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, Mr. Whitworth required the yeas and nays to be recorded. They are yeas 64, nays 47.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Haynie,	Moore,
Amiss,	Henderson,	Pafford,
Barton,	Hilliard,	Parks,
Boyd,	Hughes,	Paris,
Boykin of Scriven,	Irvin,	Phillips,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Cass,	Porter,
Browning,	Johnson of Henry,	Powell,
Burnett,	Jones of Warren,	Reid,
Cannon,	Julian,	Sapp,
Carlton,	King of Fayette,	Sinquefield,
Causey,	Kirkpatrick,	Solomon,
Cooper,	Lane,	Smith of Bryan,
Cottle,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Clinch,
Crook,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Union,
Durden,	Lowe,	Stephens,
Faulk,	Matthews,	Swearingen,
Gordon,	McCants,	Tatom,
Graves,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Taylor
Graybill,	McLenan,	Tharpe,
Harrell,	Milledge,	Ward,
Harris of Fulton,	Montgomery,	Wynn
Harris of Meriwet'r,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Headen,	Peterson,
Brown of Camden,	Hoyle,	Phinzy,
Butts,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Pickett,
Caldwell of Walker,	Hudson of Harris,	Pruitt,
Calloway,	Johnson of Carroll,	Richards,
Connally,	Johnson of Elbert,	Roberts,
Cobb,	Jones of Muscogee,	Rozier,
Cornwell.	Kilgore,	Rumph,
Daniel,	Kitchens,	Sharman,
Davis of Polk.	Maynor,	Smith of Hancock,
Dawson,	McClary,	Smith of Tattnall,
Dorminy,	McConnel of Gord'n	Spinks,
Edentield,	McLean,	Stamper,
Fields,	Murphy,	Thompson,
Guyton,	Myers,	Watts,
Graham,	Owen,	Whitworth,
Harrison,		

So the bill was passed.

The rules were suspended, when Mr. Jones of Warren reported a bill to be entitled an act to commission Robert H. Cody. Ordinary of Warren county, which was read the first time.

The following Message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit:

A bill to incorporate a Bank in the city of Savannah to be called the Timber Cutter's Bank,

A bill to authorize the Gainesville and Chattahoochee Ridge Railroad Companies to consolidate their charters and to make them uniform, and to increase and fix the amount of their capital; also, to incorporate the Eatonton and Madison Railroad Company.

A bill to expedite the trial of cases at law and equity in the Courts of this State.

A bill for the relief of the representatives and securities of Tax Collectors in certain cases.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Harris of Meriwether in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate a sum of money to improve and put in good order the road leading from Morganton and Blairsville across the Blue Ridge at Cooper's Gap in Lumpkin and Union counties, and to appoint Commissioners to carry the same into effect. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and upon the question of its pas-

sage the yeas and nays were by Mr. Smith of Union required to be recorded. There are yeas 36, nays 70.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barton,	Headen,	Milledge,
Boyd,	Hill,	Pafford,
Browning,	Hilliard,	Paris,
Burnett,	Hughes,	Pickett,
Butts,	Johnson of Henry,	Powell,
Calloway,	Julian,	Roberts,
Cannon,	Kirkpatrick,	Sapp,
Crook,	Lawton,	Smith of Clinch,
Dorminy,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Union,
Fields,	Lewis of Hancock,	Stephens,
Graham,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Swearingen,
Graves,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Terhune,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Phinizy,
Amiss,	Harrison,	Porter,
Avery,	Haynie,	Pratt,
Barron,	Henderson,	Reid,
Beall,	Hoyle,	Richards,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hudson of Gwin'tt.	Rumph,
Brantley,	Johnson of Carroll,	Sharman,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Cass,	Sinquefield,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Elbert,	Slocumb,
Caldwell of Walker,	Jones of Muscogee,	Solomon,
Carlton,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Hancock,
Connally,	Kitchens,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cobb,	Lane,	Spinks,
Cooper,	Lowe,	Stamper,
Cornwell,	Maynor,	Tatom,
Cottle,	McCants,	Taylor,
Daniel,	McClary,	Tharpe,
Dawson,	McLean,	Thompson,
Durder,	Montgomery,	Walton,
Edenfield,	Moore,	Watts,
Faulk,	Myers,	Whitworth,
Guyton,	Owen,	Williams,
Graybill,	Parks,	Wynn,
Harrell,	Peterson,	

So the bill was lost.

The bill to be entitled an act to add an additional section to the 4th division of the Penal Code of this State, was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Early and Baker. The report was adopted. The bill was read the third time, and upon the

question of its passage, Mr. Slocumb required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 48, nays 66. .

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs :

Avery,	Hill,	Powell,
Boykin of Scriven	Hilliard,	Pruitt,
Brown of Camden,	Hoyle,	Richards,
Browning,	Hughes,	Rozier,
Burnett,	Jones of Muscogee,	Rumph,
Calloway,	Kilgore,	Sapp,
Cobb,	Kitchens,	Slocumb,
Crook,	Lawton,	Smith of Clinch,
Davis of Polk,	Matthews,	Smith of Union,
Dorminy,	McClary,	Stamper,
Dozier,	Milledge,	Swearingen,
Edenfield,	Moore,	Taylor,
Faulk,	Pafford,	Terhune,
Felton,	Peterson,	Tharpe,
Guyton,	Pickett,	Thompson,
Graves,	Porter,	Watts,
Harrell,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs :

Anderson,	Harris of Fulton,	McLenan,
Amiss,	Harrison,	Montgomery,
Barron,	Headen,	Murphy,
Barton,	Henderson,	Myers,
Beall,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Owen,
Boyd,	Hudson of Harris,	Parks,
Brantley,	Irvin,	Paris,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Carroll,	Phillips,
Butts,	Johnson of Cass,	Phinizy,
Caldwell of Walker	Johnson of Elbert,	Reid,
Cannon,	Johnson of Henry,	Roberts,
Carlton,	Jones of Warren,	Sharman,
Connally,	Julian,	Solomon,
Cooper,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Hancock,
Cornwell,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cottle,	Lane,	Spinks,
Daniel,	Lewis of Greene,	Stephens,
Dawson,	Lewis of Hancock,	Tatom,
Durden,	Lowe,	Walton,
Fields,	Maynor,	Ward,
Gordon,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Whitworth,
Graham,	M'Connel of Gord'n,	Williams,
Graybill,	McLean,	Wynn,

So the bill was lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to prevent the running of cars or trains carrying passengers on all the railroads in this State on the Sabbath day. The report was agreed to. The

bill was read the third time and upon the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, by Mr. Hill, and are yeas 29, nays 89.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barton,	Gordon,	McLean,
Boyd,	Harris of Fulton,	McLennan,
Boykin of Scriven,	Henderson,	Milledge,
Brown of Burke,	Hill,	Moore,
Brown of Talbot,	Hoyle,	Murphy,
Caldwell of Walker,	Hughes,	Paris,
Cannon,	Johnson of Henry,	Rumph,
Cornwell,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Hancock
Daniel,	Lewis of Hancock,	Watts,
Davis of Polk,	McClary,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Harrison,	Pickett,
Amiss,	Hayne,	Pruitt,
Avery,	Headen,	Reid,
Barron,	Hilliard,	Richards,
Beall,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Roberts,
Brantley,	Hudson of Harris,	Rozier,
Brown of Camden,	Irvin,	Sapp,
Browning,	Johnson of Carroll,	Sharman,
Burnett,	Johnson of Cass,	Sinquefield,
Butts,	Johnson of Elbert,	Slocumb,
Calloway,	Jones of Muscogee,	Solomon,
Connally,	Jones of Warren,	Smith of Bryan
Causey,	Kilgore,	Smith of Clinch
Cobb,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cooper,	Kitchens,	Smith of Union,
Cottle,	Lawton,	Spinks,
Crook,	Lewis of Greene,	Stamper,
Dawson,	Lowe,	Stephens,
Dorminy,	Matthews,	Swearingen,
Dozier,	Maynor,	Tatom,
Durden,	McCants,	Taylor,
Edenfield,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Terhune,
Faulk,	M'Connel of Gordon,	Tharpe,
Felton,	Montgomery,	Thompson,
Fields,	Myers,	Walton,
Guyton,	Parks,	Ward,
Graham,	Peterson,	Warthen,
Graves,	Phillips,	Whitworth,
Graybill,	Phinizy,	Williams,
Harrell,		

So the bill was lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the consolidation of the stocks of the Atlanta and Lagrange Railroad Company, and

the West Point and Tennessee Railroad Company of Alabama, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend an act assented to December 14th, 1811, and to allow practising Attorneys to hold the office of, and perform the duties of Justices of the Peace in the county of Washington. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the corporators of the Union Branch Railroad Company, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The House adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the appointment of Commissioners for opening Kinchafoonee Creek, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act organizing the Independent Volunteer Battalion of the city of Augusta, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to facilitate the collection of debts in open accounts, by changing the rule now requiring the production of the original book of entry. The same was on motion indefinitely postponed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the road laws in the county of Morgan. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to secure a preference to persons in possession of ungranted land, and to repeal an act for the same purpose, passed Feb. 17th, 1854. The same was on motion indefinitely postponed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to give a lien or incumbrance to masons and carpenters, and to extend the benefits of the same to lumbermen and others—was indefinitely postponed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter the act passed Dec. 18th, 1792, to revise and amend an act relative to fees of public officers,

so far as relates to the burial expenses of dead paupers.—
The same was indefinitely postponed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor to draw his order on the Treasury to the amount of one hundred and sixty dollars in favor of Wm. S. Norman of the county of Liberty. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker—

A bill to repeal an act to amend the patrol laws of this State, approved February 20th, 1854, so far as relates to the county of Glynn.

A bill to authorize persons owning or who may hereafter own lands on any water course in this State, to ditch and embank the same so as to protect said lands from freshets and overflows.

A bill to incorporate the Middle Ground Railroad, to provide for its organization, to define its rights and liabilities.

A bill to incorporate the Atlanta Gas Light Company.

A bill to incorporate Randolph College in Cuthbert, Ga.

A bill to change the residence of John W. Darracott from the county of Warren to the county of Taliaferro.

A bill to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Paulding county to levy an additional tax on the State tax not exceeding two hundred per centum.

A bill to exempt all persons over forty-five years of age from patrol duty, and to shorten the time of service of patrol companies from six to three months.

A bill to change the name of the Augusta and Waynesboro' Railroad to the Augusta and Savannah Railroad, to amend the charter of said Company, and for other purposes.

A bill to incorporate the Indian Springs Male and Female Academies, and appoint Trustees therefor.

A bill to amend an act assented to 24th December, 1847, entitled an act to incorporate the Muscogee Asylum for the Poor, to make provision for the support, and authorize the Inferior Court of Muscogee county to bind out poor children to said corporation under certain circumstances, and to provide for their education.

A bill to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Chatham county to borrow money, and levy and collect an extraordinary tax for the building of a new jail for said county.

A bill to repeal an act entitled an act to reduce the fees of the several Tax Collectors hereafter to be elected in the county of Liberty, and for other purposes therein named, assented to December 21st, 1853.

A bill to incorporate Columbus Fire Company No. 4.

A bill to incorporate Holmesville Lodge, number one hun-

dred and ninety-five, of Free and Accepted Masons of the town of Holmesville, Appling county.

A bill for the relief of Joseph L. Robinson of the county of Appling.

A bill to make final disposition of the assets of the Central Bank, and for other purposes.

A bill to confer certain rights and privileges on Charles R. Jarratt, his heirs and assigns, for the term of 25 years.

A bill to authorize Charles Cowart, an infirm man of the county of Clinch, and Harmon N. Sapp, an infirm man of the county of Lowndes, as itinerant traders, to vend any goods, wares or merchandise within the counties of Clinch and Lowndes, without obtaining a license for the same.

A bill to alter and amend an act entitled an act to carry into effect the amended Constitution of this State in reference to Ordinaries of this State, and for other purposes, assented to January 21st, 1852, so far as relates to the county of Tattnall.

A bill for the relief of James Monroe Mitchell of the county of Muscogee.

A bill to make Walter R. Youlles, formerly Walter R. Highsmith, son of Walter Youlles, the lawful heir of said Walter Youlles of said county of Wayne.

A bill to incorporate the Bibb County Orphan Asylum.

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to remove obstructions from the Big Satilla river, and to render the same navigable for timber rafts, lumber, wood, and other produce thereon, and for other purposes herein mentioned.

A bill to change the line dividing the counties of Coweta and Meriwether.

A bill to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the counties of Catoosa and Polk to levy an extra tax for county purposes upon the recommendation of the Grand Jury of said counties.

A bill to authorize the Judges of the Inferior Courts of the counties of Liberty and McIntosh to appoint a competent Surveyor from their respective counties, to properly run out and define a certain portion of the line which divides the above named counties.

A bill to reduce the number of jurors required for Coroners' inquests in the counties of this State.

A bill to make and constitute Anistatia Lorentine Horn of the county of Bibb, Ann McDaniel of the county of Talbot, and Sarah M. Narrill of the county of Pickens, sole traders.

A bill for the relief of Margaret Marchman, formerly Margaret Watson of the county of Greene, and to change the name of said Margaret Marchman to that of Margaret Watson, and also for the relief of William Meed of Harraleson county.

The House took up the report of the committee on the

bill to be entitled an act to authorize the county of Early to pay over to the counties of Calhoun and Clay their distributive share of the poor school fund of said counties, and for other purposes therein mentioned. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Terhune in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of William Searcy of the county of Talbot. The same was amended by striking out fifty dollars, and inserting thirty-six in lieu thereof. Also, by authorizing the Governor of this State to issue a bond, &c., in favor of James Gardner, jr., in lieu of one lost by him.

The committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendments. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act amendatory of an act of the General Assembly of Georgia approved the 5th December, 1806, concerning divorces by repealing a portion of the third section of said act. The same was on motion indefinitely postponed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Terhune in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of J. T. C. Adams, John Pike and E. Perkins, all of the county of Lowndes. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Terhune in the Chair,) on the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to compensate the State Treasurer for extraordinary services. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed;

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize Judges of the Superior Courts to appoint receivers during vacation, and to require the complainant in all cases asking for writs of "ne exeat," "quia timet," and all applications asking for the appointment of a receiver or for an injunction, to give bond and security to the respondent for any loss or damage which he or they may sustain by the suing out of said writs, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Terhune in the Chair,) on the bill to be entitled an act to refund to E. R. Albuti, a non-resident tax payer of the county of Camden, a certain amount of money.. After some time

spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the village of Chickasawhatchee in the county of Lee, and to appoint Commissioners of the same, and to confer certain powers upon said Commissioners, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

The same, on motion of Mr. Terhune, was amended by limiting the license fee for retailing liquors to the sum of fifty dollars. Also, by conferring certain powers relative to this subject on the Commissioners of the town of Sparta. Also, by conferring certain powers on the City Council of Augusta.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to lay out a new county from the counties of Muscogee, Chattahoochee, Marion, Harris and Talbot, and for other purposes. The same was on motion indefinitely postponed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the delivery of certain papers under certain circumstances. The report was agreed to, but final action on the bill was postponed for the present.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize parties complainant either in law or equity to perfect service of writs against corporations under certain circumstances therein named. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Arthur Griffith of Oglethorpe county, and to authorize him to pay taxes in Oglethorpe county upon property owned by him in Madison county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to appoint an additional number of Trustees for the Washington Academy in the county of Gwinnett. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Pine Mountain Mining Company of this State.

The same, on motion of Mr. Sapp, was amended by the addition of a section incorporating the DeSoto Mining Company.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to appoint Trustees for the Carrollton Male and Female Academies, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Eatonton and Madison Railroad Company, and to confer certain powers and privileges therein mentioned. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to grant to William Schley and Robert Schley of the county of Richmond, the right to open and construct a railroad, plank road or other road, from their saw mill on Spirit creek, in said county, to any point on the Augusta Southwestern Plank Road, between the 11th and 13th mile posts on said Plank Road from the city of Augusta, for the transportation of timber, lumber and wood. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Kookegoey, &c. The same was on motion indefinitely postponed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the delivery of certain papers under certain circumstances.

Mr. Crook offered as a substitute therefor, a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the admission in evidence of certified copies from the Executive Department and other offices connected therewith, to be used in evidence in any Court of law or equity in this State.

The substitute was adopted as the report of the committee. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Fighting Town Mining Company. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Rome Foundry and Machine Company. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to prevent the throwing of timber or dead stock into Holly creek in Murray county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Macon Savings

Bank. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Sarah H. Lamar. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to prevent the felling in of timber or otherwise obstructing the main current of Mountain Town Creek in the county of Gilmer. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Cobb on account of ill health; also, to the Finance Committee during this evening's session.

The House adjourned until 7½ o'clock P. M.

HALF PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to legalize the place of holding Justices' Courts in the 537th Dist. G. M. in the county of Upson. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to change the residence of Frederick Merit, senior, from the county of Coffee to the county of Irwin, and to change certain county lines therein mentioned.

Certain amendments were received, changing the lines between various counties.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to point out the mode of ascertaining the relief to which widows and orphans are entitled out of the estate of the deceased husbands and parents, in cases where letters testamentary or of administration have or shall be hereafter granted, and for other purposes.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, the same was amended by striking from the first section the words "have or," so as to render the bill prospective in its nature.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to add the county of Carroll to the fourth Congressional District. The report was

agreed to. The bill was read the third time and on the question of its passage, Mr. Dawson required the yeas and nays to be recorded, and are yeas 61, nays 33.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Harrison,	Reid,
Avery,	Hilliard,	Richards,
Beall,	Hoyle,	Roberts,
Boyd,	Hughes,	Rumph,
Boykin of Scriven,	Irvin,	Sapp,
Browning,	Johnson of Carroll,	Sinquefield,
Caldwell of Walker,	Jones of Warren,	Slocumb,
Calloway,	Kilgore,	Smith of Clinch,
Cannon,	Kitchens,	Smith of Tattall,
Connally,	Lawton,	Smith of Union,
Cooper,	Maynor,	Spinks,
Crook,	McClary,	Stamper,
Davis of Polk,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Stephens,
Dorminy,	McLean,	Swearingen,
Dozier,	Milledge,	Terhune,
Edenfield,	Pafford,	Thompson,
Faulk,	Phinazy,	Ward,
Fields,	Pickett,	Watts,
Graham,	Porter,	Whitworth,
Graves,	Powell,	Wynn.
Harrell,	Pruitt,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Guyton,	McCants,
Barton,	Harris of Fulton,	McLennan,
Boykin of Troup,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	Montgomery,
Brantley,	Hill,	Owen,
Burnett,	Hudson of Harris,	Paris,
Butts,	Johnson of Cass,	Peterson,
Carlton,	Johnson of Henry,	Sharman,
Causey,	Jones of Muscogee,	Smith of Bryan,
Cornwell,	Lane,	Smith of Hancock,
Cottle,	Lewis of Greene,	Tatom,
Dawson,	Lowe,	Tharpe,
Gordon,	Matthews,	Wiggins,

So the bill was passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank in the town of Athens, to be called the Bank of Athens. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act changing the times of holding the Superior Courts in certain counties therein named,

Mr. Jones of Muscogee moved to amend by striking out

all that portion of said bill which relates to the time of holding the Superior Courts of the county of Muscogee. Upon the question of receiving the same, he required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 30, nays 47.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Beall,	Johnson of Carroll,	Pickett,
Browning,	Johnson of Cass,	Pruitt,
Burnett,	Jones of Muscogee,	Richards,
Cottle,	Jones of Warren,	Rumph,
Harrison,	Lawton,	Sinquefield,
Headen,	Maynor,	Smith of Bryan,
Hilliard,	McLean,	Smith of Clinch,
Hoyle,	Milledge,	Tatom,
Hughes,	Pafford,	Terhune,
Irvin,	Peterson,	Watts.

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Dorminy,	Powell,
Amiss,	Durden,	Reid.
Avery,	Faulk,	Roberts,
Boyd,	Fields,	Sharman,
Boykin of Scriven,	Graham,	Slocumb,
Boykin of Troup,	Graves,	Smith of Hancock,
Brantley,	Harrell,	Smith of Tattnall,
Butts,	Hill,	Smith of Union,
Caldwell of Walker,	Hudson of Harris,	Stamper,
Cannon,	Johnson of Henry.	Swearingen,
Carlton,	Kitchens,	Tharpe,
Connally,	McCants,	Thompson,
Causey,	McConnel of Gord'n	Watson,
Cooper,	Montgomery,	Ward,
Cornwell,	Murphy,	Whitworth,
Crook,	Owen,	Wiggins,
Dawson,	Phinizy,	Wynn.

So the amendment was not received.

The House then adjourned until 9½ o'clock tomorrow, before any definite action on the bill.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Boyd moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the rejection of the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate a sum of money to improve and put in good order the road leading from Dahlonga to Morganton and Blairsville across the Blue Ridge at Cooper's Gap in Lumpkin and Union counties, and to appoint Commissioners to carry the same into effect. This motion prevailed.

The Finance Committee reported the following bills, which were read the first time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money, &c., to Wm. Wills and others ;

And a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to John Wilhite.

The unfinished business of last evening was then resumed, to-wit, a bill of the Senate changing the Superior Courts of certain counties therein named.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, the third section was so amended as to confer on the Judge of the Chattahoochee Circuit the authority to hold the Superior Court for the county of Muscogee at any place in the city of Columbus that he may deem proper, provided no additional expense shall be imposed on said county therefor.

Section 4th was amended by striking out that portion which relates to the time of holding the Superior Courts in the county of Lowndes, and inserting in lieu thereof "the third Mondays in June and December." Also, by striking out "two" in the last line of said section, and inserting "one and one-half."

The 5th section was stricken out.

Section 8th was amended by striking out that portion which refers to the time of holding the Superior Courts in the county of Thomas, and filling the blank thereby created with "shall be held on the first Mondays in June and December." Also, by adding at the end of said section the words "In Berrien county, Thursday after the 4th Monday in June and December ; Colquitt county, Monday after the 4th Monday in May and November of each year."

Mr. Stamper offered an additional section, fixing the time for holding the Superior Courts of the county of Chattahoochee on the second Monday in April and October, and in the county of Terrell on the first Monday in March and September. The same was received.

An additional section was offered by Mr. Milledge and received, fixing the time of holding the Superior Courts in the several counties of the Middle Circuit.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The bill relative to the lease of the Western and Atlantic Railroad was, on motion of Mr. Crook, postponed, subject to his control.

The special committee appointed to consider the memorial of Mark A. Cooper, consists of Messrs. Johnson of Cass, Phillips, Harris of Fulton, Fields and Ward.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Crook in the Chair,) on the bill to be entitled an act to remove the Penitentiary of this State, to appropriate money for the same and for other purposes therein mentioned. After some time

spent therein the committee arose, and through their chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment.

Mr. Butts offered as a substitute therefor, a bill to appropriate money for the purpose of repairing the Penitentiary.

On motion of Mr. Irvin, the blank therein was filled with "two thousand dollars."

Mr. Terhune proposed to amend the substitute by adding the following, which was not received, viz :

And be it further enacted, That his Excellency be and he is hereby required to appoint three fit and proper persons, whose duty it shall be to examine, as far as possible, the State of Georgia for a proper site on which to erect a public prison, and report to the next Session of the General Assembly ; also, an estimate of the cost of such erection, together with the plans for the prison, as also the subject of prison discipline which can and ought to be adopted in the government of said prison.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit :

A bill to define the time of holding the Superior Courts in Brunswick Judicial Circuit.

Also, a bill for the relief of John F. Ball, Wm. Cox, Wm. H. Turner, and Wm. Prestley of Stewart county.

The Senate has also passed the following bills of the House of Representatives, to-wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the village of Ringgold in Walker (now Catoosa) county, approved December 27th, 1847, to define the boundary of said incorporation, and to confer certain powers upon the Commissioners of said village.

A bill to incorporate the Hightower Mining Company.

A bill for the relief of John H. Kelly of Hancock county.

It has also passed the following bills of the House of Representatives with amendments, to which they ask the concurrence of the same, to-wit :

A bill for the relief of Mary W. Gresham, formerly Mary W. Triplett of Wilkes county.

A bill to appropriate one hundred dollars to be refunded to Samuel Walker of Fulton county, who paid that amount over and above his lawful tax to the State in 1854.

A bill to alter and change the name of the county of Kinchafoonee.

A bill to change the lines between the counties of Randolph and Calhoun.

It has also concurred in the amendments of the House of Representatives to the following bills of the Senate, to-wit :

A bill to compensate grand and petit jurors of the county of Catoosa.

A bill to authorize the City Council of Savannah to elect or appoint ten auctioneers or vendue masters.

A bill to alter and amend the 5th section of an act incorporating the Southern Botanical Medical College, approved Dec. 11, 1839.

A bill to regulate the collection of Jury fees in the Superior and Inferior Courts of the county of Coweta.

It has also passed the following bill, which I am instructed to transmit forthwith to the House of Representatives, to-wit :

A bill for the relief of Jesse J. Connel of Dooley county.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled, signed by the President of the Senate and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to repeal an act to prevent the killing of deer at certain periods of the year in the counties of Burke and Worth, so far as relates to the county of Worth.

Also, an act to repeal an act entitled an act to alter, amend and explain Section 4th of an act entitled an act for the prevention of frauds and perjuries, approved Feb. 20th, 1854.

Also, an act to exempt certain property of the city of Savannah from taxation.

Also, an act to reduce the Sheriff's bond of Tattnall county.

Also, an act to incorporate the Athens Guards, and to confer upon them certain privileges and exemptions therein mentioned.

Also, an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Carroll county to levy and collect an extra tax for the purpose of building a Court-house in said county.

Also, an act to authorize Constables in and for the counties of Telfair, Irwin and Coffee, who have taken oath and given bond in terms of the law, to serve any process whatever on the Sheriffs of their respective counties, and return the same to the Court from which such process issued.

And also, an act to repeal so much of an act entitled an act to lay out and organize the county of Fannin out of the counties of Gilmer and Union, or so much of said act as includes a portion of the county of Murray, assented to on the 21st of January, 1854.

Also, an act to make Sarah Catharine Simmons and John Jackson Simmons of the county of Dooley, the adopted heirs of Hardy Pitts and Nancy Pitts.

Also, an act for the relief of Giles Widener of the county of Gordon.

Also, an act to repeal an act passed 18th February, 1854, to provide for the education of the poor, so far as the coun-

ties of Habersham and Carroll are concerned, and to require the Ordinary of Chattooga county to pay the widow of Harrison H. Strange a certain sum therein named, so far as relates to the county of Habersham, and for other purposes.

Also, an act to make Austin G. L. Cheek of the county of Carroll, the adopted heir of Martin and Martha Crider.

Before any farther action on the bill under consideration, the House adjourned until 3 o'clock P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and resumed the unfinished business of the morning.

Upon the question of adopting the substitute offered by Mr. Butts, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 42, nays 61.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Hilliard,	Rumph,
Bird,	Hudson of Harris,	Sharman,
Boykin of Troup,	Irvin,	Slocumb,
Brown of Camden,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Bryan,
Burnett,	Lawton,	Smith of Tattnall,
Butts,	Lewis of Hancock,	Swearingen,
Daniel,	McClary,	Tatom,
Dorminy,	McLean,	Taylor,
Edenfield,	Murphy,	Thompson,
Faulk,	Myers,	Thornton,
Graham,	Owen,	Walton,
Graybill,	Pafford,	Warthen,
Harris of Dough'ty,	Peterson,	Wiggins,
Harrison,	Porter,	Williams,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Durden,	Julian,
Avery,	Felton,	King of Fayette,
Beall,	Fields,	Lewis of Greene,
Boyd,	Guyton,	Lowe,
Boykin of Scriven,	Graves,	Maynor,
Browning,	Haynie,	McCants,
Caldwell of Walker,	Henderson,	M'Connel of Gord'n,
Calloway,	Hill,	Montgomery,
Cannon,	Hoyle,	Moore,
Counally,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Parks,
Cooper,	Hughes,	Paris,
Corawell,	Johnson of Carroll,	Phillips,
Cottle,	Johnson of Cass,	Powell,
Crock,	Johnson of Henry,	Pruitt,
Davis of Polk,	Jones of Warren,	Richards,

Roberts,	Smith of Clinch,	Wood,
Rozier,	Smith of Union,	Ward,
Sapp,	Spinks,	Watts,
Simmons,	Stephens,	Whitworth,
Sinquefield,	Terhune,	Wynn.
Solomon,		

So the substitute was not adopted.

Mr. Terhune moved to strike out "Stone Mountain" from the original bill, and insert "Kingston Quarry."

Upon this he required the yeas and nays to be recorded, and are yeas 9, nays 103.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Cottle,	McClary,	Terhune,
Dorminy,	Stamper,	Thornton,
Graybill,	Swearingen,	Walton.

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Headen,	Owen,
Amiss,	Henderson,	Pafford,
Avery,	Hill,	Parks,
Barron,	Hilliard,	Paris,
Beall,	Hoyle,	Peterson,
Boyd,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Phillips,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hudson of Harris,	Phinzy,
Brown of Camden,	Hughes,	Pickett,
Browning,	Irvin,	Porter,
Burnett,	Johnson of Carroll,	Powell,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Cass,	Pruitt,
Cannon,	Johnson of Elbert,	Richards,
Carlton,	Johnson of Henry,	Roberts,
Connally,	Jones of Lowndes,	Rozier,
Cooper,	Jones of Warren,	Rumph,
Cornwell,	Julian,	Sapp,
Crook,	Kilgore,	Sharman,
Daniel,	King of Fayette,	Simmons,
Davis of Polk,	King of McIntosh,	Sinquefield,
Dozier,	Kirkpatrick,	Slocumb,
Durden,	Lane,	Solomon,
Faulk,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Clinch
Felton,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Tattnall,
Fields,	Lowe,	Smith of Union,
Gordon,	Maynor,	Spinks,
Guyton,	McCants,	Stephens,
Graham,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Tatom,
Graves,	M'Connel of Gordon,	Taylor,
Harrell,	McLean,	Tharpe,
Harris of Dougherty,	Montgomery,	Thompson,
Harris of Meriwe'r,	Moore,	Wood,
Harrison,	Murphy,	Ward,
Hayne,	Myers,	Warthen,

Watts,	Wiggins,	Wynn.
Whitworth,	Williams,	

So the motion was lost.

The report was then agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and upon the passage thereof, the yeas and nays were by Mr. Terhune required to be recorded. There are yeas 61, nays 56.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs :

Amiss,	Henderson,	Paris,
Avery,	Hoyle,	Phillips,
Beall,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Phinizy,
Boyd,	Hughes,	Pickett,
Boykin of Scriven,	Johnson of Carroll,	Powell,
Browning,	Johnson of Cass,	Pruitt,
Caldwell of Walker	Johnson of Henry,	Richards,
Cannon,	Jones of Lowndes,	Roberts,
Carlton,	Jones of Warren,	Sapp,
Connally,	Julian,	Simmons,
Cooper,	King of Fayette,	Sinquefield,
Cornwell,	Lane,	Smith of Union,
Crook,	Lewis of Greene,	Spinks,
Davis of Polk,	Lowe,	Stephens,
Durden,	Maynor,	Tharpe,
Fields,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Wood,
Gordon,	M'Connel of Gord'n,	Ward,
Guyton,	Montgomery,	Watts,
Graves,	Moore,	Whitworth,
Haynie,	Parks,	Wynn,
Headen,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs :

Anderson,	Hill,	Rumph,
Barron,	Hilliard,	Sharman,
Bird,	Hudson of Harris,	Slocumb,
Boykin of Troup,	Irvin,	Solomon,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Elbert,	Smith of Bryan
Burnett,	Kilgore,	Smith of Clinch,
Butts,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Tattall,
Calloway,	Lawton,	Stamper,
Cottle,	Lewis of Hancock,	Swearingen,
Daniel,	McCants,	Tatom,
Dorminy,	McClary,	Taylor,
Dozier,	McLeau,	Terhune,
Edenfield,	McLenan,	Thompson,
Faulk,	Murphy,	Thornton.
Graham,	Myers,	Walton,
Graybill,	Owen,	Warthen,
Harrell,	Pafford,	Wiggins,
Harris of Dougherty	Peterson,	Williams,
Harrison,	Porter,	

So the bill was passed.

The rules were suspended, and the House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank to be located in the city of Macon to be called the Bank of Middle Georgia. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and upon the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded. There are yeas 83, nays 24.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Hudson of Gwin'tt	Phillips,
Boyd,	Hudson of Harris,	Phinizy,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hughes,	Pickett,
Boykin of Troup,	Irvin,	Porter,
Browning,	Johnson of Cass,	Powell,
Burnett,	Johnson of Henry,	Rozier,
Butts,	Jones of Lowndes,	Sapp,
Caldwell of Walker,	Kilgore,	Sharman,
Calloway,	King of McIntosh,	Simmons,
Carlton,	Kirkpatrick,	Sinquefield,
Cottle,	Kitchens,	Slocumb,
Crook,	Lane,	Solomon,
Dozier,	Lawton,	Smith of Bryan,
Durden,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Tattnall,
Faulk,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Union,
Felton,	Lowe,	Stamper,
Gordon,	Maynor,	Swearingen,
Graham,	McClary,	Tatom,
Harrell,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Terhune,
Harris of Dough'ty,	M'Connel of Gordon	Thompson,
Harris of Fulton,	McLean,	Thornton
Harris of Meriwet'r,	Milledge,	Wood,
Harrison,	Montgomery,	Ward,
Headen,	Moore,	Warthen,
Henderson,	Pafford,	Watts,
Hill,	Parks,	Wiggins,
Hilliard,	Paris,	Williams,
Hoyle,	Peterson,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Dorminy,	Pruitt,
Barron,	Johnson of Carroll,	Richards,
Beall,	Johnson of Elbert,	Rumph,
Brown of Camden,	Julian,	Smith of Clinch,
Cannon,	King of Fayette,	Spiuks,
Conally,	McLenan,	Stephens,
Cornwell,	Murphy,	Whitworth,
Daniel,	Myers,	Wynn,
Davis of Polk,	Owen,	

So the bill was passed.

The bill for the relief of Dr. B. J. Head was on motion made the special order for Monday next.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

A bill to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of the Columbus Iron Works Company.

An act to incorporate White Path Gold and Copper Mining Company of Northwestern Georgia.

An act to incorporate Sandy Run Academy in the county of Houston, and Cool Spring Academy in the county of Wilkinson, and to appoint Trustees for the same.

An act to submit the question of removal of the Court-house of Macon county to the people thereof, and the place of its location, and in case they elect to remove, to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court to sell the Court-house and property of the county appertaining thereto, to negotiate for the site that may be elected, and levy an extra tax for the building a new Court-house.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled, signed by the President of the Senate and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to protect the planters of oyster beds, and to give exclusive right to the usufruct of natural beds of oysters in certain cases, and to prevent the taking of terrapins and turtles in certain seasons.

An act to incorporate the Sixes Mining Company of Georgia.

An act to exempt certain property of the city of Savannah from taxation.

An act to add the county of Carroll to the Fourth Congressional District.

An act to legalize the place of holding Justices' Courts in the 537th District G. M. in the county of Upson.

An act to alter and amend the fifth section of an act incorporating the Trustees of the Southern Botanical Medical College, approved Dec. 11th, 1839.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Terhune in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to the legal representatives of James M. Kelly, deceased, &c. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The bill to be entitled an act to commission Henry R. Cody, Ordinary of Warren county, was on motion taken up, read the second time, and committed for a third reading.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and committed for a third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank in the city of Savannah to be called the Timber Cutter's Bank,

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize and require interest to be recovered on open accounts in certain cases.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the time of meeting of the General Assembly of the State of Georgia from the first Monday in November to the first Wednesday in November.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary of the county of Taylor to pay over to James P. Rouan and Wm. A. Graham certain sums of money therein specified.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Georgia Air-Line Railroad Company, and to confer on them certain powers and privileges therein specified.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the mode of executors, administrators and guardians in making their returns.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a bank in the town of Ringgold, to be called the Northwestern Bank of Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act to explain and amend an act entitled an act to regulate the mode of suing the bonds of executors, administrators and guardians, approved January 15th, 1852.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a bank in the town of Greensboro' to be called the Bank of Greensboro'.

A bill to be entitled an act to compensate the Grand and Petit Jurors of the county of Talbot.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Thomas H. Hall of the county of Baldwin, a minor, to transact his own business in the manner and subject to the same responsibilities as though he was of full age, &c.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the city of Greensboro', define its powers, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Lithonia in DeKalb county, and the town of Woodbury in the county of Meriwether.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank in the town of Bainbridge, to be called the Southern Bank of Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Isaac C. Loller to build and keep a mill-dam across the Conasauga river on his own land.

A bill to be entitled an act to compensate the Grand Jurors of Baker county.

A bill to be entitled an act to define the line between the counties of Gordon and Floyd, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to confer certain privileges upon James J. Bozatt of the county of Randolph, and to make lawful his acts, and to give him authority to transact business as though he were of full age.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the laws now of force in relation to idiots, lunatics and insane persons, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John C. Everett, Jesse Bryan and Robert Campbell.

A bill to be entitled an act to allow practising Attorneys to serve as Justices of the Peace in Burke county.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Wm. B. Wofford to build keep a mill-dam across the Conasauga River on his own land in the county of Murray.

A bill to be entitled an act to allow Andrew J. Wooten of the county of Telfair, to peddle and vend goods in the counties of Telfair, Pulaski, Montgomery, Ware, Appling, Coffee, Irwin, Lowndes and Clinch, free of license, and for other purposes therein named,

A bill to be entitled an act to proscribe the manner in which the names of persons may be changed, and persons born illegitimate, and to carry into effect the provisions of the Constitution on that subject, and also to prescribe the manner in which children may be adopted, and to provide for establishing, changing or abolishing election precincts, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of certain persons therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to extend to the county of Kinchafoonce the provisions of an act entitled an act to amend the road laws of this State, so far as relates to the counties of Wilkes, Laurens, Lincoln, Columbia and Twiggs, approved Feb. 20th, 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act to add an additional section to the tenth division of the Penal Code of the State of Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act to make permanent the county line between the counties of Dooly and Worth, and also between the counties of Irwin and Dooly.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Wm. L. Strain of the county of Greene.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the representatives and securities of Tax Collectors in certain cases, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to enable persons who have claims against trust estates to recover said claims in a court of law, and to prescribe the manner in which the same shall be done.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Court of Ordinary for Scriven county.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Tax Collectors to issue summons of garnishment.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the several acts of this State in relation to suing out commissions of lunacy.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Courts of certain counties herein named to levy an extra tax upon certain conditions, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize William Stroud, Administrator de bonis non upon the estate of William H. Parker, late of Clark county, deceased, to settle with and pay off Sheffield H. Parker, one of the heirs at law of said estate, and to legalize the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to give force and operation to judgments issuing from the Mayor's Court of the city of Darien throughout the State of Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Elberton Female Collegiate Institute, located at Elberton, and to amend the act incorporating the Snake Creek Academy in Gordon county, and for other purposes therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Gainesville and Chattahoochee Ridge Railroad Companies to consolidate their charters and to make them uniform, and to increase and fix the amount of their capital; also, to incorporate the Eatonton and Madison Railroad Company.

A bill to be entitled an act to require the depot agents and conductors of the Western and Atlantic Railroad to take an oath for the faithful discharge of their duties, and to punish a violation of the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to compel the Superintendent of the Western and Atlantic Railroad to sell such iron and other articles as may become useless to said road, at public outcry, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to exempt persons resident on Skidaway Island from performing road duty on the main land.

A bill to be entitled an act in relation to the limitation of estates.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the several acts to incorporate the town of Spring Place, and to prescribe the powers of the Commissioners of said town.

A bill to be entitled an act declaring what persons shall be liable to pay Physicians for services rendered to slaves who are hired or otherwise in the possession of bailees.

A bill to be entitled an act to exempt Daniel and Lucinda, his wife, the property of Harrison W. Riley nominal slaves, from the tax now imposed by law on nominal slaves.

A bill to be entitled an act explanatory of the second section of an act entitled an act to alter and amend an act for the more effectually securing the probate of wills, &c., approved Dec. 10th, 1812.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the LaGrange Light Guards, the Bibb county Loan Association, and the Scriven Troops, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent the fraudulent survey of lands in the counties of Camden and Effingham.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Madison Town Hall Company.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the act incorporating

the town of Oxford, in the county of Newton, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the lines between certain counties therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the compensation of grand and petit jurors of the Superior and Inferior Courts of the county of Elbert.

A bill for the relief of persons legally divorced from the bonds of matrimony in this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to add the present residence of Rev. H. T. Bussey to the county of Telfair.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the county treasurers of certain counties therein named, to pay the grand and petit jurors of said counties.

A bill to be entitled an act to protect and confer upon charitable societies certain privileges and to make them bodies corporate and politic.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Harriet K. Boyd of the county of Cobb.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act supplementary to, and more effectually to enforce an act prescribing the mode of manumitting slaves in this State, approved December 19th, 1818, and for other purposes herein specified.

A bill to be entitled an act to legalize and make valid two charters granted by the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Columbus for Plank Roads in said city.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Richmond and Columbia, so as to include the land and residence of Alexander M. Allen in the county of Columbia.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Sweet Water Railroad Company.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for establishing lost or destroyed papers, and suing upon the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent Counsel from presiding as Judges in cases in which they had been consulted and employed before their election, and to provide for the trial of such cases.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Sheriffs to take new bail where the principal has been surrendered, in certain cases, and to make valid certain bail bonds taken heretofore.

A bill to be entitled an act declaring what persons shall be liable to pay Physicians for services rendered to slaves who are hired or otherwise in possession of bailees.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the election of an Attorney General of the Middle Circuit, and Solicitors General of the several Judicial Circuits of the State, by the people, and for other purposes therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit any person or per-

sous from driving cattle from the Lookout Mountain in the counties of Walker, Catoosa and Dade, in certain months of the year.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the name of the Talbotton Female Academy, located at Talbotton, Talbot county, Georgia, to that of Levert College, to incorporate the same, and to confer certain powers on the Board of Trustees therein named,

A bill to be entitled an act for the purpose of expediting the trial of cases at law and in equity in the Courts of this State, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to manumit a negro man ~~slave~~ named Boston, the property of certain persons therein named; and

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Auriferous Hill Gold Mining Company.

The rules were suspended, and Mr. Smith of Union reported a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Zenus Sullivan, Tax Collector of the county of Union for the year 1854, which was read the first time.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Hill until Tuesday next on special business.

The House on motion suspended the rule and adjourned until 9½ o'clock Monday morning.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Terhune moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of Saturday as relates to the passage of the bill to be entitled an act to remove the Penitentiary of this State, to appropriate money for the same, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Upon this proposition, Mr. Rumph required the yeas and nays to be recorded, and are yeas 33, nays 78.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barron,	Hilliard,	Rumph,
Bird,	Irvin,	Solomon,
Brown of Camden,	Jones of Warren,	Smith of Bryan,
Brown of Talbot,	Kilgore,	Smith of Tattnall,
Calloway,	Kirkpatrick,	Swearingen,
Daniel,	McClary,	Tatom,
Dorminy,	McLean,	Taylor,
Dozier,	McLenan,	Terhune,
Harrell,	Myers,	Thornton,
Harris of Dough'ty,	Peterson,	Warthen,
Harrison,	Porter,	Williams,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Parks,
Avery,	Haynie,	Paris,
Beall,	Headen,	Phillips,
Boyd,	Henderson,	Pickett,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hoyle,	Powell,
Boykin of Troup,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Pruitt,
Browning,	Hughes,	Richards,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Carroll,	Roberts
Cannon,	Johnson of Cass,	Sapp,
Carlton,	Johnson of Henry,	Sharman,
Connally,	Jones of Lowndes,	Simmons,
Causey,	Jones of Muscogee,	Sinquefield,
Cooper,	Julian,	Smith of Clinch,
Cottle,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Union,
Crook,	King of McIntosh,	Spinks,
Davis of Polk.	Lane,	Stamper,
Durden,	Lewis of Greene,	Stephens,
Felton,	Lewis of Hancock,	Tharpe,
Fields,	Lowe,	Thompson,
Gordon,	Maynor,	Wood,
Guyton,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Waltou,
Graham,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Ward,
Graves,	Montgomery,	Watts,
Griffith,	Moore,	Whitworth,
Hale,	Owen,	Wiggins,
Harris of Fulton,	Pafford,	Wynn

So the motion to reconsider was lost.

The Committee on the State of the Republic have had under consideration the Resolutions of Vermont, as well as the Resolution in relation to the boundary between this State and South Carolina, and have instructed me to report the following resolutions; also, a bill to provide for paying the delegates sent by the authority of the State of Georgia to the Convention of the people of the slaveholding States held at Nashville in 1850, and recommend that it pass. The same is a bill to be entitled an act to appoint a Commissioner to audit the claim of J. H. Howard, and to appropriate money for the payment of the same, which was read the first time.

On motion of Mr. Crook, the resolution reported by the Committee on the State of the Republic, relative to the resolutions of the State of Vermont, which declares that the State of Georgia will consider no resolution emanating from the State of Vermont, until she learns to regard her constitutional obligations and the courtesy due to the States of this Union; and that no resolution, laws, ordinances or other legislative act of the State of Georgia be communicated to the State of Vermont until further ordered; also, that the Gover-

nor of this State transmit to the Governor of Vermont said resolution with the request that he communicate the same to the General Assembly of said State, was taken up, read and agreed to.

The resolution requesting the Governor to adopt such measures as he may deem expedient relative to the controversy between the States of Georgia and South Carolina, growing out of the boundary line dividing said States, was taken up, read and agreed to.

Mr. Harris of Meriwether offered the following resolution, which on motion was taken up and read, viz:

Resolved, That no member shall speak more than once, nor longer than ten minutes upon the same subject, except by the general consent of the House.

Mr. Felton offered the following as a substitute therefor, viz:

Resolved, That no member of this House shall rise to speak on any bill or question in point more than twice, and then not for a longer time than ten minutes, unless permission be given by a two thirds vote of the House.

Several amendments were proposed, when, on motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, the whole subject matter under consideration was laid on the table for the balance of the session.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled, signed by the President of the Senate, and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to authorize the City Councils of Savannah and Augusta each to elect or appoint ten auctioneers or vendue masters.

An act to regulate the collection of Jury fees in the Superior and Inferior Courts of the counties of Coweta, Floyd and Cass.

An act to authorize and require the Treasurer of the Glynn County Academy to pay over certain monies in his hands.

An act for the relief of Giles Widener of the county of Gordon.

An act to authorize Constables in and for the counties of Telfair, Irwin and Coffee, who have taken oath and given bond in terms of the law, to serve any process whatever on the Sheriffs of their respective counties, and return the same to the Court from whence such process issued.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Lewis of Hancock in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a railroad company to be called the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad Company, and for other purposes.

Several amendments were offered and received, after which the committee arose and reported the same back to the House as amended. The same was on motion recommitted.

Mr. Phillips offered the following amendment, viz:

And be it further enacted, That all the privileges and benefits conferred by this act upon the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad Company by the subscription of stock by the Governor in the name of the State, shall be and the same are hereby extended to the Northeastern Railroad Company, upon the same principles and under the same rules and regulations, as far as applicable, by which the same are used by and granted to the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad Company.

Mr. Pickett offered to amend said amendment with the following, which was accepted by Mr. Phillips, viz :

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That so soon as one hundred and fifty thousand dollars is subscribed to the capital stock of the Ellijay Railroad Company, it shall be the duty of the Commissioners or any three or more of them, who may be actually engaged in taking subscriptions, to return a list of the subscribers and the amount subscribed by each, with a certificate that the subscriptions are bona fide and binding, and that each person, firm or corporation, in the opinion of said Commissioners, will be fully able to pay up the sum subscribed to the same ; which return and certificate shall be under oath, and when received shall be filed away in the Comptroller General's Office. If said return and certificate shall be satisfactory to the Governor of this State for the time being, it shall then be his duty to subscribe in the name of the State of Georgia, for stock to the amount of one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars, or if the bona fide subscription returned and certified shall exceed the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, then for such larger sum than one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars as will be in the same proportion, and so on in proportion until the whole capital stock of said Company may be taken.

And be it further enacted, That the Ellijay Railroad Company shall be subject to all the rules and government as provided for the government of the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad Company, so far as the same can be made applicable to the said Ellijay Railroad Company.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That all the provisions and benefits of the foregoing act be and the same are hereby extended to the Forsyth and Lumpkin Railroad Company, and also to the Northeastern Railroad Company, in proportion to the length of said Railroads as contemplated in their respective charters.

Upon the question of receiving the same, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 26, nays 87.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Beall,	Carlton,	Daniel,
Boyd,	Connally,	Davis of Polk,
Cannon,	Cooper,	Durden,

Graham,	Parks,	Stephens,
Harrison,	Phillips,	Wood,
Headen,	Pickett,	Whitworth,
Johnson of Carroll,	Pruitt,	Wiggins,
Kirkpatrick,	Sapp,	Wynn.
Lewis of Hancock,	Sinquefield,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Hilliard,	Phinizy,
Barron,	Hoyle,	Porter,
Barton,	Hughes,	Powell,
Bartlett,	Irvin,	Reid,
Bird,	Johnson of Cass,	Richards,
Boykin of Scriven,	Johnson of Elbert,	Roberts,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Henry,	Rozier,
Brown of Talbot,	Jones of Lowndes,	Rumph,
Browning,	Jones of Muscogee,	Sharman,
Burnett,	Jones of Warren,	Simmons,
Butts,	Kilgore,	Slocumb,
Causey,	King of Fayette,	Solomon,
Cornwell,	King of McIntosh,	Smith of Bryan,
Cottle,	Lane,	Smith of Clinch,
Crook,	Lawton,	Smith of Hancock,
Dorminy,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Tattnall,
Dozier,	Maynor,	Spinks,
Edenfield,	McClary,	Stamper,
Felton,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Swearingen,
Fields,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Tatom,
Guyton,	McLean,	Taylor,
Graves,	McLennan,	Terhune,
Griffith,	Montgomery,	Tharpe,
Hale,	Moore,	Thompson,
Harrell,	Murphy,	Thornton,
Harris of Dougherty,	Myers,	Ward,
Harris of Fulton,	Owen,	Warthen,
Harris of Meriwet'r,	Pafford,	Watts,
Haynie,	Paris,	Williams.
Henderson,	Peterson.	

So the amendment was not received.

Mr. Harris of Fulton offered the following, which was received, viz:

And be it further enacted, That the produce of the State of Georgia, deposited at any depot within the State, shall have precedence over through freights coming from any other State, so long as the State of Georgia remains a stockholder in said road.

The report as amended was agreed to.

Before any farther action on the bill, the House adjourned until 3 o'clock P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and resumed the unfinished business of the morning, to-wit, the question of the passage of the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a railroad company to be called the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad Company, and for other purposes. The bill was read the third time, and upon the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 56, nays 67

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Haynie,	Porter,
Barton,	Hilliard,	Powell,
Bartlett,	Hughes,	Rozier,
Boykin of Scriven,	Johnson of Cass,	Rumph,
Brown of Camden,	Jones of Lowndes,	Sapp,
Browning,	Jones of Muscogee,	Simmons,
Burnett,	Jones of Warren,	Slocumb,
Butts,	King of McIntosh,	Solomon,
Cottle,	Lawton,	Smith of Bryan,
Crook,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Clinch,
Dorminy,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Tattnall,
Dozier,	McCants,	Smith of Union,
Edenfield,	McClary,	Stamper,
Felton,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Swearingen,
Guyton,	McLenan,	Taylor,
Graves,	Moore,	Terhune,
Harrell,	Pafford,	Thompson,
Harris of Dough'y.	Paris,	Thornton,
Harris of Fulton,	Peterson,	Williams,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amisa,	Fields,	Lane,
Barron,	Gordon,	Lowe,
Beall,	Graham,	Maynor,
Bird,	Griffith,	McConnel of Gord'n.
Boyd,	Hale,	McLean,
Boykin of Troup,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Montgomery,
Brantley,	Harrison,	Murphy,
Brown of Talbot,	Headen,	Myers,
Caldwell of Walker,	Henderson,	Owen,
Cannon,	Hudson of Gwin'tt.	Parks,
Carlton,	Irvin,	Phillips,
Connally,	Johnson of Carroll,	Phinizy,
Causey,	Johnson of Elbert,	Pickett,
Cooper,	Johnson of Henry,	Pruitt,
Cornwell,	Julian,	Reid,
Daniel,	King of Fayette,	Roberts,
Davis of Polk,	Kilgore,	Sharman,
Durder,	Kirkpatrick,	Sinquefield,

Smith of Hancock,	Tharpe,	Watts.
Spinks,	Wood	Whitworth,
Stephens,	Ward,	Wiggins,
Tatom,	Warthen,	Wynn.

So the bill was lost.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Warren, the rule was suspended, and the House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to commission Henry R. Cody, Ordinary of Warren county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The report of the Joint Committee on the Western and Atlantic Railroad was presented and read. The same was however withdrawn, in order that said Committee might enlarge the same by embracing therein suggestions relative to the expediency of giving a preference to way over through freights.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Crook in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to compensate B. J. Head for medical services rendered in the city of Oglethorpe during the prevalence of small pox in said city.—After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment.

Mr. Carlton moved to strike out "two thousand," and insert "fifteen hundred dollars." The same was received.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and upon the question of its passage the yeas and nays were required to be recorded. There are yeas 65, nays 54.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs :

Amiss,	Edenfield,	McCants,
Barton,	Felton,	M'Connel of Cataoosa
Bartlett,	Gordon,	Montgomery,
Boyd,	Guyton,	Moore,
Boykin of Troup,	Graham,	Murphy,
Brantley,	Graves,	Owen,
Brown of Talbot,	Hale,	Pafford,
Browning,	Harris of Dougherty	Paris,
Burnett,	Harris of Fulton,	Peterson,
Butts,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Phillips,
Caldwell of Walker	Henderson,	Powell,
Calloway,	Johnson of Cass,	Richards,
Cannon,	Jones of Lowndes,	Sapp,
Carlton,	King of McIntosh,	Sbarman,
Causey,	Kirkpatrick,	Sinquefield,
Cottle,	Lane,	Solomon,
Crook,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Bryan
Davis of Bibb,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Hancock,
Darden,	Lowe,	Smith of Union,

Tatem,	Walton,	Wiggins,
Tharpe,	Ward,	Williams,
Thornon.	Warthen	Wynn,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs :

Avery,	Hilliard,	Pickett,
Barron,	Irvin,	Porter,
Beall,	Johnson of Carroll,	Pruitt,
Bird,	Johnson of Elbert,	Reid,
Boykin of Scriven,	Jones of Muscogee,	Roberts,
Brown of Camden,	Jones of Warren,	Rozier,
Connally	Kilgore,	Rumph,
Cooper,	King of Fayette,	Simmons,
Cornwell,	Kitchens,	Slocumb,
Daniel,	Lawton,	Smith of Tattnall,
Dorminy,	Maynor,	Spinks,
Dozier,	McClary,	Stamper,
Fields,	M'Connel of Gord'n,	Stephens,
Griffith,	McLean,	Swearingen,
Harrell,	McLenan,	Thompson,
Harrison,	Myers,	Watts,
Haynie,	Parks,	Whitworth,
Headen,	Phinizy,	

So the bill was passed.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bill, to-wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Northeastern Railroad Company.

The Senate has also concurred in the amendments of the House of Representatives to the following bills of the Senate, to-wit:

A bill to alter and change the time of holding the Superior Courts of the counties of Marion, Harris and Muscogee; also, to change the time of holding the Superior Courts in the Southwestern Circuit in certain cases therein named; to arrange the times of holding the Superior Courts in the Pataula Circuit, &c.; and for other purposes therein named.

Also, concurred in certain amendments of the House of Representatives to the following bill of the Senate, to-wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to change the residence of Frederick Merit, senior, from the county of Coffee to the county of Irwin, and to change certain county lines therein mentioned.

And has disagreed to the amendments of the House of Representatives to the said bill changing the county line between the counties of Harris and Troup; also, changing the county line between the counties of Cherokee and Jackson; also, adding a part of lot of land No. 7 in the 2d district of

Dooly county to the county of Houston ; and also the amendment striking out the fourth section of said bill;

The amendments of the Senate to the following bills of the House were taken up, and concurred in, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Mary W. Gresham, formerly Mary W. Triplett of Wilkes county.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and change the name of the county of Kinchafoonce, and for other purposes therein specified.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the lines between the counties of Randolph and Calhoun.

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate one hundred dollars to be refunded to Samuel Walker of Fulton county, who paid that amount over and above his lawful tax to the State in 1854.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Hudson of Harris on account of the extreme illness of his mother, and to Mr. Dawson for a few days on account of special business.

The House then adjourned until 7½ o'clock, P. M.

HALF PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The following bills of the House were read the second time and committed for a third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Muscogee county to sell the jail of said county, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of the county of Telfair, to open a poll at the Court-house and the several precincts in said county on the question of removal of the county site, and for carrying out the will of the majority.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Keener's Camp Ground of the Methodist Episcopal Church South in the county of Rabun, and to confer certain powers and privileges on the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to change and locate the North eastern Terminus of the Western and Atlantic Railroad, and for other purposes therein specified.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the third section of an act entitled an act to amend the several acts relating to the Court of Common Pleas and of Oyer and Terminer for the city of Savannah, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Superintendent of the Western and Atlantic Railroad to refund money in certain cases therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Atlanta.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Bailey White, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary of Upson county to pay arrearages due the teachers of poor children in said county for services rendered in the years 1853, '54 and '55.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act to regulate the testimony of Attorneys at Law.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John A. Jones of the county of Polk.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the sale of insolvent tax executions in the several counties of this State, and to authorize the purchaser at such sales, or their transferers, or whoever may hold the same to collect the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize and require certain parties to give evidence and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the compensation of grand and petit jurors of the county of Lumpkin.

A bill to be entitled an act to grant certain privileges to the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Harris.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Michael Dickson, John Dickson et al., heirs of Capt. Michael Dickson.

A bill to be entitled an act to lay out and create a new county from the counties of Talbot, Harris and Meriwether, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the rent laws of this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize and require the Ordinary of Marion county to pay Littleton Morgan certain sums of money for teaching poor children in said county in the year 1852.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Concordia Lodge, No. 45, of Independent Odd Fellows of the town of Irwinton, Wilkinson county.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Walton Female College in Monroe, Walton county, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Lowndes and Thomas, and to attach the same to a Judicial and Congressional district, and provide for the location of a county site in such new county.

A bill to be entitled an act to add an additional section to the Penal Code of the State of Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to John Wilhite.

A bill to be entitled an act to simplify the operations of the Treasury Department, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Zenus Sullivan, Tax Collector for the county of Union for the year 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money, &c., to Wm. Wills and others

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Superintendent of the Western and Atlantic Railroad to establish a Depot, &c.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize and provide for the union and consolidation of the Muscogee Railroad Company with the Southwestern Railroad Company under the charter of the latter Company.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Banks of this State, or the agencies of any Bank located in this State, to receive and pass for the half of bills when presented to them.

A bill to be entitled an act to indemnify O. P. Beall of the county of Randolph, for the loss of a lot of land granted a second time.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter, change and amend the second section of an act entitled an act to regulate the advertising of Clerks, Sheriffs and other State and county officers, and to provide for the preservation of the newspapers containing said advertisements, and for other purposes, approved January 22d, 1852.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Andrew J. Nichols.

A bill to be entitled an act to confer certain powers on Henry Deavenport of Clarke county.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to improve the navigation of Great Ogechee river so far as the appointment of new commissioners are concerned, by adding certain persons herein named to the commissioners in said act mentioned, approved February 7th, 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the orphans of Bryan Fannin, and to appropriate money for that purpose.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize an administrator to sell land out of the county where it lies.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of A. M. Pratt of the county of Franklin.

A bill to be entitled an act to give further time for holding the Superior Courts of Sumter, Lee, Dougherty and Baker counties.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and change the line between the counties of Newton and Jasper.

A bill to be entitled an act to lay out and construct a Turnpike, &c.

A bill to be entitled an act to enlarge the boundary of the town of LaGrange and to incorporate the same under the name of the city of LaGrange, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act relative to the re-survey of the 6th district of Habersham county.

And a bill to be entitled an act to increase the salaries of the Judges of the Superior Courts.

The following bill was read the second time, and on motion of Mr. Terhune referred to Messrs. Lawton and Irvin, viz:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Bank of the State of Georgia to establish a Branch Bank in the city of Rome, Georgia, and for other purposes.

The following bills of the Senate were read the first time, viz:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Asa Houston Langston of Hart county to practise medicine in this State, receive and collect the usual fees for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act amendatory of an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of New Gibraltar in DeKalb county, to appoint Commissioners for the same, to provide for the election of Commissioners in succession, and other regulations therein named, and to levy a tax for the improvement of said town, to change the name and extend the limits of said town, assented to December 17th, 1847, and also to incorporate the town of Tunnell Hill in the county of Whitfield, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Morgan in Calhoun county, and appoint Commissioners for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Wm. T. Shannon, Reuben J. Dawson and Daniel Pardee, securities of George P. Nickelson, late Tax Collector of Greene county.

A bill to be entitled an act to exempt the active members of the Young America Fire Company from Jury and Militia duty.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act defining the duty of the Inferior Courts in relation to building bridges, so far as relates to Jackson county.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the 6th section of an act approved 11th February, 1854, entitled an act to incorporate the Dalton and Copper Mine Turnpike, Plank and Railroad Company, and to allow the Company to build a Turnpike, Plank or Railroad.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a town to be called Warsaw.

A bill to be entitled an act to compel persons owning land in this State out of the counties in which they reside, to give in the numbers of the same and the county and district and section in which it was situated at the time it was granted, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the several laws in relation to the exemption of certain property from levy and

sale, and to provide a mode for securing the same to the wife and children, or wife, or child or children, of said debtor.

A bill to be entitled an act to prescribe the order of descent and succession of the estates of illegitimate persons who die intestate.

A bill to be entitled an act to require the State Printer to cause to be reported the proceedings of the Legislature.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter the time of holding the Inferior Court of the county of Worth.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Northeastern Railroad Company.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Lamar in Baker county.

A bill to be entitled an act to confer certain additional powers on the Mayor of the city of Savannah, and to authorize the Mayor and Aldermen of the said city to pass ordinances for the more effectual suppression of certain offences concerning slaves within the limits of the said city, and to provide for the taking of testimony in certain criminal causes triable at special terms of the City Court of Savannah, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Jesse L. Bull, a minor in the county of Stewart, to be the heir at law of William Carter of said county.

A bill to be entitled an act to relieve executors and administrators from the necessity of publishing notices of sales of insolvent papers in the public gazettes of this State.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John F. Ball, Wm. Cox, Wm. H. Turner, and Wm. Prestley of Stewart county, Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act to define the time of holding the Superior Courts in Brunswick Judicial Circuit, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to point out the mode or manner of collecting magistrates' and constables' fees in the county of Chatham, and to amend an act to repeal an act to extend the civil jurisdiction of the Justices of the Peace.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorise James O. Hunt of the county of Harris to practise medicine, charge and collect fees for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a bank in the city of Atlanta to be called the Bank of Fulton.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Jesse J. Connel of Dooly county.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank in the town of Madison, to be called the Bank of Madison.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Fletcherville in the county of Thomas, and also to extend

the corporate limits of the town of Bainbridge, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to compel owners of slaves on plantations or farms in Effingham county to keep a white man on said plantation or farm.

A bill to be entitled an act to limit the time of service of Grand and Petit Jurors in the City Court of Savannah, and to exempt the Keepers of Laurel Grove Cemetery and the Catholic Cemetery near the city of Savannah from service on Juries of the Superior Court and the City Court of Savannah.

A bill to be entitled an act to compensate the Sheriff of the county of Wilkes and his deputies, for summoning Jurors and attending the Courts of said county.

A bill to be entitled an act amendatory of an act entitled an act to secure a preference to persons in applications for grants under the laws pertaining to Head Rights, approved February 17th, 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act to confer certain privileges upon John Q. Spires of Lincoln county, and to make lawful his acts, and to give him authority to transact business as though he were of full age.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and committed for a third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to change the mode of executors, administrators and guardians in making their returns to Ordinaries.

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent railroad agents from shipping or conveying their grain on the Western and Atlantic Railroad, in preference and to the injury of other persons, and to punish them for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to give force and operation to judgments issuing from the Mayor's Court of the city of Darien throughout the State of Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act for the purpose of expediting the trial of cases at law and in equity in the Courts of this State, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent Counsel from presiding as Judges in cases in which they had been consulted and employed before their election, and to provide for the trial of such cases.

A bill to be entitled an act to exempt persons resident on Skidaway Island from performing road duty on the main land.

A bill to be entitled an act in relation to the public records of counties where the same have been destroyed by fire, declaring that all deeds and other instruments in writing that have been recorded, shall be considered and taken as having been recorded upon sufficient proof of execution, and declaring what shall be proof of the contents of records so destroyed.

A bill to be entitled an act to vest that portion of land known as the State's reserve below the city of Macon, in the corporate authorities of said city.

A bill to be entitled an act to compel the Superintendent of the Western and Atlantic Railroad to sell such iron and other articles as may become useless to said road, at public outcry, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary of the county of Taylor to pay over to James P. Rowan and Wm. A. Graham certain sums of money therein specified.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Richmond and Columbia, so as to include the residence of Alexander M. Allen in the county of Columbia.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the LaGrange Light Guards, the Bibb county Loan Association, and the Scriven Troops, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to compensate the Grand Jurors of Baker county.

A bill to be entitled an act explanatory of the second section of an act entitled an act to alter and amend an act for the more effectually securing the probate of wills, &c., approved Dec. 10th, 1812.

A bill to be entitled an act to require the depot agents and conductors of the Western and Atlantic Railroad to take an oath for the faithful discharge of their duties, and to punish a violation of the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the several acts of this State in relation to suing out commissions of lunacy.

A bill to be entitled an act to prescribe the manner in which the names of persons may be changed, and persons born illegitimate may be made legitimate, and to carry into effect the provisions of the Constitution on that subject, and also to prescribe the manner in which children may be adopted, and to provide for establishing, changing or abolishing election precincts, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize William Stroud, Administrator de bonis non upon the estate of William H. Parker, late of Clark county, deceased, to settle with and pay off Sheffield H. Parker, one of the heirs at law of said estate, and to legalize the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit any person or persons from driving cattle from the Lookout Mountain in the counties of Walker, Catoosa and Dade, in certain months of the year.

A bill to be entitled an act to empower the Judge of the Superior Courts of the Western Circuit to hold the fall term of the Superior Court of Jackson county two weeks in certain cases.

A bill to be entitled an act to add an additional section to the ninth division of the Penal Code.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act supplementary to, and more effectually to enforce an act prescribing the mode of manumitting slaves in this State, approved December 19th, 1818, and for other purposes herein specified.

A bill to be entitled an act to legalize and make valid two charters granted by the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Columbus for Plank Roads in said city.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the compensation of grand and petit jurors of the Superior and Inferior Courts of the county of Elbert.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Wm. B. Wofford to build and keep a mill-dam across the Conasauga River on his own land in the county of Murray.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Elberton Female Collegiate Institute, located at Elberton, and to amend the act incorporating the Snake Creek Academy in Gordon county, and for other purposes therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to define the line between the counties of Gordon and Floyd, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act declaring who are qualified and liable to serve as jurors in criminal cases, regulating the manner of empanelling a jury in such cases, declaring who are competent jurors, and the mode of ascertaining such competency, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to compensate the Grand and Petit Jurors of the county of Talbot.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the tenth section of the thirteenth division of the Penal Code of this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a bank in the town of Ringgold, to be called the Northwestern Bank of Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize persons to submit controversies to arbitration, declaring how arbitrators shall be chosen, prescribing their powers, regulating the manner in which their proceedings shall be conducted, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the time of meeting of the General Assembly of the State of Georgia from the first Monday in November to the first Wednesday in November.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Lithonia in DeKalb county, and the town of Woodbury in the county of Meriwether.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Barnard Dugan of the county of Fulton.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to regulate the testimony of Attorneys at Law, approved February 21st, 1850.

A bill to be entitled an act to protect the citizens of

the counties of Worth, Richmond and Clinch from the injurious consequences of camp-hunting by non-residents.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the place of holding Justices' Courts in the 476th District of Newton county.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the fifteenth section of the fourteenth division of the Penal Code.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a bank in the town of Greensboro' to be called the Bank of Greensboro'.

A bill to be entitled an act declaring what persons shall be liable to pay Physicians for services rendered to slaves who are hired or otherwise in the possession of bailees.

A bill to be entitled an act in relation to the limitation of estates.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Georgia Air-Line Railroad Company, and to confer on them certain privileges and powers therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to extend to the county of Kinchafoonee the provisions of an act entitled an act to amend the road laws of this State, so far as relates to the counties of Wilkes, Laurens, Lincoln, Columbia and Twiggs, approved Feb. 20th, 1854. •

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent the fraudulent survey of lands in the counties of Camden and Effingham.

A bill to be entitled an act to manumit a negro man slave named Boston, the property of certain persons therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to add an additional section to the tenth division of the Penal Code of the State of Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act to protect and confer upon charitable societies certain privileges and to make them bodies corporate and politic.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the act incorporating the town of Oxford, in the county of Newton, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal a portion of the second section of an act entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Monroe and Crawford, and also to change the lines between other counties therein mentioned, approved February 13th, 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Sweet Water Railroad Company.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Win. L. Strain of the county of Greene.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Tax Collectors to issue summons of garnishment.

A bill to be entitled an act to allow practising Attorneys to serve as Justices of the Peace in Burke county.

A bill for the relief of persons legally divorced from the bonds of matrimony in this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to allow Andrew J. Wooten of

the county of Telfair, to peddle and vend goods in the counties of Telfair, Pulaski, Montgomery, Ware, Appling, Coffee, Irwin, Lowndes and Clinch, free of license, and other persons therein named,

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Sheriffs to take new bail where the principal has been surrendered, in certain cases, and to make valid certain bail bonds taken heretofore.

A bill to be entitled an act to reduce the Sheriffs' bond of Worth, Hart and Pickens counties.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Henry Cox of the county of Washington.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for establishing lost or destroyed papers, and suing upon the same.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Harriet A. Boyd of the county of Cobb.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John C. Everett, Robert Campbell and Jesse Bryan.

A bill to be entitled an act to confer certain privileges upon James J. Boyett of the county of Randolph, and to make lawful his acts, and to give him authority to transact business as though he were of full age.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Court of Ordinary for Scriven county.

A bill to be entitled an act to add the present residence of the Rev. H. T. Bussey to the county of Telfair.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Auriferous Hill Gold Mining Company.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Courts of certain counties herein named to levy an extra tax upon certain conditions, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to enable persons who have claims against trust estates to recover said claims in a court of law, and to prescribe the manner in which the same shall be done.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act to make permanent the county line between the counties of Dooly and Worth, and also between the counties of Irwin and Dooly.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Madison Town Hall Company.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the county treasurers of certain counties therein named, to pay the grand and petit jurors of said counties.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the representatives and securities of Tax Collectors in certain cases, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Thomas H. Hall of the county of Baldwin, a minor, to transact his own business in the manner and subject to the same responsibilities

as though he was of full age, and also to authorize Pliny Sheffield, jr. of the county of Thomas, a minor, to transact his own business in the manner and subject to the same responsibilities, as though he was of full age.

A bill to be entitled an act to elect the Attorney General of the Middle Circuit, and Solicitors General of the respective Judicial Circuits of the State, by the people, and for other purposes therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the lines between certain counties therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act declaring what persons shall be liable to pay Physicians for services rendered to slaves who are hired or otherwise in possession of bailees.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank in the town of Bainbridge, to be called the Southern Bank of Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the laws now of force in relation to idiots, lunatics and insane persons, and their estates, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Isaac C. Loller to build and keep a mill-dam across the Conasauga river on his own land.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide and prescribe the mode of taking testimony of witnesses de bene esse in cases where the matter of controversy is not pending in any Court.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of certain persons therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to explain and amend an act entitled an act to regulate the mode of suing the bonds of executors, administrators and guardians, approved January 15th, 1852.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Gainesville and Chattahoochee Ridge Railroad Companies to consolidate their charters and to make them uniform, and to increase and fix the amount of their capital; also, to incorporate the Eatonton and Madison Railroad Company.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the city of Greensboro', define its powers, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize and require interest to be recovered on open accounts in certain cases.

A bill to be entitled an act for the protection of the rights of Eugene Allen, a minor of Troup county.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize bills of sale to be proven, recorded, and admitted in evidence in certain cases therein specified.

A bill to be entitled an act to exempt Daniel and Lucinda, his wife, the property of Harrison W. Riley nominal slaves, from the tax now imposed by law on nominal slaves.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank in the city of Savannah to be called the Timber Cutter's Bank.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the several acts to incorporate the town of Spring Place, and to prescribe the powers of the Commissioners of said town.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Crook in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to provide for paying the delegates sent by the authority of the State of Georgia to the Convention of the people of the slaveholding States held at Nashville in June, 1850. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, Mr. Cannon required the yeas and nays to be recorded, and are yeas 58, nays 32.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Harris of Fulton,	McClary,
Avery,	Harrison,	M'Connel of Catoosa
Beall,	Haynie,	McLean,
Bird,	Headen,	Pafford,
Boyd,	Hilliard,	Parks,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hoyle,	Phillips,
Boykin of Troup,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Porter,
Brown of Camden,	Hughes,	Reid,
Browning,	Irvin,	Sapp,
Burnett,	Johnson of Carroll,	Smith of Union,
Calloway,	Johnson of Cass,	Spinks,
Carlton,	Jones of Muscogee,	Tatom,
Crook,	Kilgore,	Terhune,
Davis of Polk,	King of Fayette,	Thompson,
Dozier,	Lane,	Ward,
Durden,	Lawton,	Warthen,
Graham,	Lewis of Hancock,	Watts,
Graves,	Lowe,	Whitworth,
Griffith,	Maynor,	Wynn.
Hale,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Bartlett,	Lewis of Greene,	Sharman,
Brantley,	McConnel of Goid'n	Simmons,
Butts,	McLenan,	Sinquefield,
Cannon,	Montgomery,	Smith of Bryan,
Counally,	Owen,	Smith of Clinch,
Causey,	Paris,	Smith of Hancock,
Cornwell,	Peterson,	Smith of Tattall,
Cottle,	Pickett,	Tharpe,
Davis of Bibb,	Powell,	Thornton,
Fields,	Roberts,	Wiggins,
Gordon,	Rumph,	

So the bill was passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to provide for the election of trustees for the Springfield Academy in the county of Effingham, and for other purposes.

Mr. Porter offered a substitute bearing the same title, which was adopted.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Hayden in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize his Excellency the Governor to make certain contracts and provide for the same. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Jones of Muscogee in the Chair,) on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of William H. Clarke of Camden county. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and thro' their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment.

The original amount was on motion stricken out, and the sum of nine dollars inserted in lieu thereof.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Jones of Muscogee in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to allow the county of Charlton to retain two hundred and fifty dollars of the State tax per annum for the years 1856 and 1857, for the purpose of assisting to build a Court-house and Jail of said county, and also to levy a county tax.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Charlton county to levy an extra tax for county purposes, was reported by the Committee to whom the original was referred, and was adopted.

The committee then arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendments. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Jones of Muscogee in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to compensate John Taylor of the county of Chattooga for furnishing his Excellency the Governor with a copy of the census for 1852. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost,

The bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to re-

move the knoll in Savannah River, and for other purposes, was, on motion of Mr. Lawton, referred to a special committee of five. Said committee consists of Messrs. Lawton, Jones of Muscogee, Smith of Union, Lewis of Hancock and Fields.

The rules were suspended, and Mr. Lewis of Hancock reported a bill to be entitled an act to amend the 12th section of the 2d article of the Constitution of this State, which was read the first time.

Mr. Johnson of Cass offered the following resolution, which was on motion taken up, read and agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That so much of the rule of the House as requires the House to meet at 7½ o'clock P. M. and adjourn at 9½ P. M. is hereby repealed, and the House shall meet at 7 P. M. and adjourn at 9 P. M.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to extend certain privileges to James E. Smith of the county of Clay, and for other purposes.

Certain amendments were offered and received.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to repeal so much of the law in reference to change bills as makes it the duty of the Judges of the Superior Courts to give the act passed 10th December, 1841, in special charge to the Grand Juries. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Jones of Muscogee in the Chair,) on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Treasurer of this State to pay to the Ordinary of Emanuel county the sum of sixty-one dollars; balance due said county for poor school purposes. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor of this State to refund any money unlawfully paid into the Treasury by the Tax Receiver or Collector, or any tax payer, and his duty therein.

Mr. Ward offered the following as a substitute therefor, which was adopted, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor and Controller General to correct mistakes of Receivers and Collectors of taxes, or of any tax payer, whereby more money is paid into the Treasury than is required by law, to refund the same, and the Governor to draw his warrant on the Treasury for said amounts ; the Comptroller to settle up the

business of his office of other years; the Inferior Courts or Grand Juries to allow insolvent lists before the fifteenth of December of each year, Tax Collectors to pay the county taxes by the 20th of December of each year; Comptroller to settle up the old and unfinished business of his office, his duty therein, making out digests, to make indexes to the books of his office, his compensation therefor, and for collections of debts due previous to 1855, and enter Tax Collectors in a book on file therein.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Kitchens on special business.

The House then adjourned until 9½ o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the rejection of the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a railroad company to be called the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad Company, and for other purposes.

Upon this proposition, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 74, nays 53.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Graves,	McCants,
Barton,	Harrell,	McClary,
Bartlett,	Harris of Dough'y,	McConnel of Catoosa
Boykin of Scriven,	Harris of Fulton,	McLenan,
Bradford,	Haynie,	Milledge,
Brown of Burke,	Hilliard,	Moore,
Brown of Camden,	Hoyle,	Pafford,
Browning,	Hughes,	Paris,
Burnett,	Johnson of Carroll,	Peterson,
Butts,	Johnson of Cass,	Porter,
Calloway,	Jones of Lowndes,	Powell,
Cottle,	Jones of Muscogee,	Richards,
Crook,	Jones of Warren,	Rozier,
Davis of Bibb,	King of McIntosh,	Rumph,
Davis of Polk,	Kirkpatrick,	Sapp,
Dorwin,	Kitchens,	Simmons,
Dozier,	Lane,	Slocumb,
Edenfield,	Lawton,	Solomon,
Felton,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Bryan,
Guyton,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Clinch,

Smith of Hancock,	Taylor,	Thornton,
Smith of Tattnall,	Terhune,	Wood
Smith of Union,	Tharpe,	Warthen,
Stamper,	Thompson,	Williams,
Swearingen,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Graham,	Owen,
Barron,	Griffith,	Parks,
Beall,	Hale,	Phillips,
Bird,	Harrison,	Phinizy,
Boyd,	Headen,	Pickett,
Boykin of Troup,	Hudson of Gwin'tt.	Pruitt,
Brantley,	Johnson of Elbert,	Reid,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Henry,	Roberts,
Caldwell of Walker,	Julian,	Sharman,
Cannon,	Kilgore,	Spinks,
Carlton,	King of Fayette,	Stephens,
Connally,	Lowe,	Tatom,
Cooper,	Maynor,	Ward,
Cornwell,	McConnel of Gord'n	Watts.
Daniel,	McLean,	Whitworth,
Durden.	Montgomery,	Wiggins,
Fields,	Murphy,	Wynn.
Gordon,	Myers,	

So the motion to reconsider prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, said bill was re-committed to the Joint Committee from whence it emanated.

Mr. Crook moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the rejection of the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to John Taylor of the county of Chattooga. The same was lost.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor to call a Convention upon certain contingences therein specified, which was reported by Mr. Crook as Chairman of the Committee on the State of the Republic, was read the first time, and one hundred and sixty copies thereof ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled, signed by the President of the Senate and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to incorporate a Bank to be located in the city of Macon, to be called the Bank of Middle Georgia.

An act to point out the mode of ascertaining the relief to which widows and orphans are entitled out of the estate of the deceased husbands and parents, in cases where letters testamentary or of administration shall be hereafter granted, and for other purposes.

An act to compensate grand and petit jurors of the county of Catoosa and Polk.

An act to incorporate a Bank in the town of Athens, to be called the Bank of Athens.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit :

A bill to authorize the Clerk of the Superior and Inferior Courts of the county of Ware to keep their office at their residence, if within eight miles of the Court-house, and to exempt the Justices of the Inferior Court from all other public duties during their continuance in office.

A bill to authorize the endorsers on promissory notes and other instruments which shall be given for negotiation, or intended to be negotiated, at any chartered Bank, or which may be deposited in any chartered Bank for collection, to be sued in the same action with the principal or maker.

A bill to facilitate and expedite the collection of debts due by corporations, joint stock companies and associations, in cases where the stockholders and members are liable for the same.

A bill to lay out and organize a new Judicial Circuit out of the counties of Heard, Coweta, Campbell, Carroll, Haralson, Polk and Floyd.

A bill to authorize Stephen W. Parker, a minor of the county of Chattahoochee, to transact his own business.

A bill to incorporate the city of Americus in the county of Sumter.

A bill for the relief of Wm. H. C. Prior, Executor, &c.

A bill to incorporate the Thomasville Female College.

A bill to incorporate the Woodland Female College, located in Cedar Town, Georgia, and to confer certain powers thereon.

A bill in relation to the publication of the advertisements of county officers of the county of Taliaferro.

A bill to authorize the Clerks of the Superior and Inferior Courts of the counties of Pike and Clark to appoint Deputy Clerks with certain powers.

A bill to divide the offices of Tax Collector and Receiver of Tax Returns of Dade county.

A bill to authorize Azariah Burnett of the county of Dade to practise medicine and charge for the same.

A bill to continue in force the tenth section of an act to lay out and form a new county from parts of the counties of Early and Randolph, approved February 16th, 1854.

A bill to compel all persons residing in the counties of Crawford, Clinch and Chattahoochee, who are liable to perform road duty, to perform the same under certain penalties therein named.

A bill to authorize Warren Dykes, an infirm man of the

county of Worth, as an itinerant trader to vend any goods, wares or merchandize within the limits of said county.

A bill to amend the acts incorporating the town of Thomsville, and to grant certain privileges to the same, and to extend its limits.

The Senate has also agreed to certain resolutions, to-wit.

A resolution requesting the Governor to transmit certain resolutions to the General Assembly of Vermont.

A resolution authorizing the Governor to employ a competent person to examine the books at the Capitol, to ascertain the numbers of certain lots of land which have been ungranted, for the purpose of selling the same.

The special Committee to whom was referred the message of his Excellency the Governor on the subject of our railroad intercourse with the State of Tennessee, together with the documents accompanying the same, have had the matter referred to them under deliberate consideration and make the following report :

The propositions involved in the questions at issue between Georgia and her sister Tennessee may be compressed into the following

1st. Have the Courts of Tennessee jurisdiction over the Western and Atlantic Railroad ?

2d. Have the adjudications heretofore made by said Courts meted out to Georgia even-handed justice ? and

3d. What policy should now be adopted in our future railroad intercommunication with that State ?

The first question has been discussed with marked ability by the Commissioners appointed by the respective States with a view to the final settlement of the question of jurisdiction on terms satisfactory to each, and resulted in the expression of a fixed determination on the part of Tennessee, through her Commissioner, that she would not yield her right of jurisdiction. By looking into the legislation of the two States by which Georgia acquired the right of constructing a part of her road in the State of Tennessee, it is plain and undeniable that Georgia only asked for, and Tennessee only granted, such rights and privileges, subject to such restrictions and liabilities, as she had granted to certain other roads running entirely through her own domain ; and it might now be asked why, if the Courts of Tennessee could rightfully exercise jurisdiction in actions at law to recover damages from a Tennessee corporation, why should not the Western and Atlantic Railroad, its officers or its managers, be sueable in Tennessee Courts by any of its citizens ? Georgia only asked Tennessee to place her road on the same footing with her own. That was done ; and if one is not without the pale of law, surely the other cannot be. It may be urged that the Western and Atlantic Railroad has no corporate existence, no tangible somebody, natural or artifi-

cial, on which a process can be served, and as a sovereign State cannot be sued, the Western and Atlantic Railroad is placed beyond the reach of law, courts and juries. If this be so, it should be abated as a nuisance, or crushed as a soulless, tongueless despot. But it is neither. It stands an imperishable monument of wisdom and statemanship. It came into being by a contract, and must exist, as long as a portion of it remains in Tennessee, subject to the conditions of that contract. The Committee, without any pretensions to profundity in constitutional law, or the right of eminent domain, cannot perceive how State sovereignty is impaired or placed in question by yielding to Tennessee the right of jurisdiction over our Road within her State. Surely it could not be successfully contended that the sovereignty of Georgia followed her Railroad and extended into another State, or that Tennessee, by her consent to let the Road be made within her border, had parted with her sovereignty. We therefore in all candor express the opinion that Georgia should yield the question of jurisdiction, and rely with confidence on the even-handed justice to be meted out to all by the Courts of Tennessee.

With regard to the recoveries heretofore obtained against the Road in Tennessee, your Committee should say but little, as that subject is now in the hands of an able Committee of the Senate. But that the decisions were in strict accordance with law, and fully sustained by evidence, the high legal qualifications and irreproachable character of those who reviewed and passed upon the cases, should be deemed sufficient. And from the fact that no cause for litigation has arisen within the knowledge of the Committee since the Road has been under the management of the present Superintendent, we have grounds for belief that the end of litigation and discontent has been reached.

As to the best policy to be adopted to avoid vexatious and expensive litigation, the Committee would only say, let well enough alone. Before the Road had half rolling stock enough to take off the freights that arrived at Chattannooga, the shipper was often subjected to much inconvenience and occasionally to loss, but now a different state of things exists. Freights but rarely remain in depot more than one or two days, and none would be received that could not be sent forward by a given time. Hence, there is neither disappointment nor delay, and hence an end of suits in Court.—We have therefore no change of policy to suggest.

On motion, one hundred and sixty copies of this report were ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

The Committee on the State of the Republic, to whom was referred that part of the Governor's Message, and accompanying documents touching on federal relations, respectfully submit the following report :

It is not deemed necessary to enter into any elaborate discussion of the constitutional rights of Georgia as a member of the Federal Union. She has taken her position and announced it to the world. She does not intend to argue with fanaticism, but conscious of her equality with her sister States, and determined by virtue of her reserved rights to maintain that equality, she is resolved to resist aggression, and let consequences be upon the heads of those who may impose upon her the necessity of such a course as the only alternative to intolerable disgrace and degradation. Your Committee deprecate the agitation of the slavery question, but we are not responsible for it. It is thrust upon us. We must meet and drive it back or be overwhelmed. But dark as is the prospect, we are not without some favorable indications for the future. The Chief Magistrate of the Union has taken high ground and announced sound constitutional views, and it is gratifying to see patriotic and national men of the non-slaveholding States nobly sustaining him. They are entitled to the confidence of the South, and we sincerely trust that by their united wisdom and devotion, fanaticism may be checked in its headlong career, and the *Union* rescued from the perils that environ it. They shall have our cordial co-operation in the patriotic effort, and as long as patience shall be a virtue, and endurance compatible with honor, Georgia will hope for light out of darkness, and order out of confusion. But it is our duty to provide for the worst. Such providence will do no harm in any event, but if the worst must come, we shall place ourselves in the best attitude for self-preservation.

I am directed by the Committee to report the following bill, and ask for its unanimous passage.

On motion, one hundred and sixty copies of this report, were ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to incorporate the Hightower Mining Company of Georgia.

An act for the relief of Mary W. Gresham, formerly Mary W. Triplett of Wilkes county.

An act to alter and change the name of the county of Kinchafoonee, and for other purposes therein specified.

An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the village of Ringgold in Walker (now Catoosa) county, approved December 27th, 1847, to define the boundary of said incorporation, and to confer certain powers upon the Commissioners of said village.

An act for the relief of Spencer Caldwell of the county of Clay.

An act to change the lines between the counties of Ran-

dolph and Calhoun, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An act to appropriate one hundred dollars to be refunded to Samuel Walker of Fulton county, who paid that amount over and above his lawful tax to the State in 1854, and for other purposes therein named.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Crook in the Chair,) on the bill to be entitled an act to provide for the payment of Captain Samuel Patterson's Company of Union Mounted Volunteers for services rendered the State of Georgia in the protection of the citizens of the Cherokee country in the year 1838.

The committee arose and asked leave to sit again thereon, when the House adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and again went into committee of the whole, (Mr. Crook in the Chair) on the bill to provide for the payment of Captain Patterson's Company, &c. The committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. It was then, on motion of Mr. Milledge, referred to a special committee of five, consisting of Messrs. Milledge, Smith of Union, Fields and Harris.

The House took up the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to change the residence of Frederick Merit, senior, from the county of Irwin, and to change several other county lines, and for other purposes therein named.

The Senate having refused to concur in certain amendments of the House thereto, to-wit: 1st, strike out the fourth section; 2d, add to the county of Troup the "Briscoe plantation," owned by John M. Harrington, now located in the county of Harris; 3d, add a certain portion of lot of land No. 7 in the 2d district of Dooly county to the county of Houston; the House refused to recede therefrom.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Crook in the Chair,) on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the corporators of the Union Branch Railroad Company. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment.

Mr. Johnson offered a substitute therefor, authorizing said Company to sue the State of Georgia, &c., which was not adopted.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question, Mr. Sapp required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 9, nays 28.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Crook,	M'Connel of Gordon	Smith of Union,
Harris of Fulton,	Phillips,	Terhune,
Hayne,	Porter,	Wood,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Graybill,	Pafford,
Avery,	Griffith,	Parks,
Barron,	Hale,	Paris,
Barton,	Harrell,	Peterson,
Bartlett,	Harris of Dougherty	Phinizy,
Beall,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	Powell,
Bird,	Harrison,	Pruitt,
Boyd,	Headen,	Richards,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hilliard,	Rozier,
Boykin of Troup,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Rumph,
Bradford,	Irvin,	Sapp,
Brown of Burke,	Johnson of Carroll,	Sharman,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Cass,	Simmons,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Elbert,	Sinquefield,
Browning,	Johnson of Henry,	Slocumb,
Burnett,	Jones of Warren,	Solomon,
Butts,	Kilgore,	Smith of Bryan,
Cannon,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Clinch
Carlton,	Kitchens,	Smith of Hancock,
Connally,	Lane	Smith of Tattnall,
Cooper,	Lawton,	Spinks,
Cottle,	Lewis of Hancock,	Stephens,
Daniel,	Maynor,	Swearingen,
Davis of Bibb,	McCants,	Tatom,
Dorminy,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Taylor,
Edenfield,	McLean,	Tharpe,
Faulk,	McLenan,	Thornton,
Felton,	Montgomery,	Walton,
Fields,	Moore,	Ward,
Gordon,	Murphy,	Whitworth,
Guyton,	Myers,	Williams,
Graham,	Owen,	Wynn.
Graves,		

So the bill was lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize executors, administrators and guardians to sell lands and negroes, or either, in the county where such executor, administrator or guardian may reside and for other purposes.

Mr; Rumph offered a substitute therefor, limiting the provisions of the original act to the county of Wayne. The same was adopted.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change the times of holding the Superior Courts of certain counties therein mentioned, and for other purposes therein specified.

Certain amendments were offered and received.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize James McCauley of the county of Catoosa, to erect and keep up a mill-dam across Chicamauga creek. The report was agreed to.—The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House adjourned until 7½ o'clock, P. M.

HALF PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Carrollton in the county of Carroll, approved 1829, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change, add to, and amend an act to incorporate the town of Decatur in the county of DeKalb, assented to Dec. 10th 1833.

The same was amended, on motion of Mr. Terhune, by providing that said Commissioners shall not charge more than fifty dollars as license fee for retailing spirituous liquors within the corporate limits of said town.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Stony Point Mining Company of Georgia. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change the lines between the counties of Cass and Gordon; also between Gordon and Murray.

Several amendments were received, changing the lines of other counties.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to the Southern Agricultural Society. The same was, on motion of Mr. Lewis of Hancock, made the special order for to-morrow evening, the 20th inst.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act to change the law in relation to interest, approved 17th December, 1845, to enable persons to recover lawful interest in usurious contracts, &c. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Inferior Courts of the county of Henry. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a stock company to be called the Chattahoochee Iron Works. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to compensate the Petit Jurors of Lincoln county. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of Enon church in the county of McIntosh. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John B. Griffin of county of Kinchafoonce. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the Committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor to draw his warrant on the Treasury in favor of Copeland, Harris & Co., for the sum of thirty dollars 37½ cents, this being the amount overpaid by them as taxes in the year 1855. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The bill to repeal an act to divide and lay off this State into Congressional Districts, and for other purposes, was made the special order for the 31st instant.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Mount Hope Academy in Muscogee county, near Flat Rock Camp Ground, and to appoint Trustees for the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Frances Murray, lately wife of James Murray. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Pierce's Chapel. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Dalton Brass Band of the town of Dalton. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to William A. Taylor of Rabun county, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the Charter of the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church and Washington Female Seminary, granted by act of December 19th, 1827, and amended by act of December 31st, 1838, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change the name of the Talbotton Female Academy, located at Talbotton, Talbot county, Georgia, to that of Levert College, to incorporate the same, and to confer certain powers on the Board of Trustees therein named. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Mary Elizabeth Hane. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Telfair county to open a poll at the Court-house and several precincts in said county on the question of removal of the county site, and for carrying out the will of the majority.—The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Muscogee county to sell the jail of said county, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Superintendent of the Western and Atlantic Railroad to refund money in certain cases therein mentioned. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the third section of an act entitled an act to amend the several acts relating to

the Court of Common Pleas and of Oyer and Terminer for the city of Savannah, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Keener's Camp Ground of the Methodist Episcopal Church South in the county of Rabun, and to confer certain powers and privileges on the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Tharpe for a few days on account of special business.

The House then adjourned until 9½ o'clock on tomorrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, the reading of the Journals was postponed until to-morrow, when motions to reconsider the action of the House on yesterday shall be in order.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Wood, which on motion was taken up, read, agreed to, and ordered to be transmitted to the Senate without delay, viz :

Resolved, That it is with sincere regret that we have to mourn the death of our friend and fellow-member, Matthew E. Cunningham, Representative from the county of Forsyth.

Resolved, That we deeply sympathize with the family of the deceased in this, their irreparable bereavement, and that a committee of two from each branch of the General Assembly be appointed to accompany his remains to his family.

Resolved, That we will wear the usual badge of mourning during the remainder of the Session, and that a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to the family of the deceased.

Resolved, That the General Assembly will attend the remains of the deceased from his late boarding-house to the depot.

The Committee appointed to accompany the remains of the deceased to his family, are Messrs. Julian and Graham.

The House, on motion of Mr. Lewis of Greene, adjourned until 9½ o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21st, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Phillips moved to reconsider so much of the Journals

of Tuesday last as relates to the rejection of the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the corporators of the Union Branch Railroad Company.

Upon this question the yeas and nays were by Mr. Harris of Fulton required to be recorded. There are yeas 21, nays 79.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Caldwell of Walker,	Jones of Lowndes,	Phillips,
Crook,	Jones of Muscogee,	Roberts,
Davis of Polk,	Kilgore,	Smith of Union,
Harris of Fulton,	King of Fayette,	Stamper.
Haynie,	M'Connel of Gordon	Terhune,
Johnson of Carroll,	Milledge,	Wood,
Johnson of Cass,	Pafford,	Watts,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Graves,	Parks,
Avery,	Graybill,	Paris,
Barron,	Griffith,	Peterson,
Barton,	Hale	Pickett,
Bartlett,	Harrell,	Pruitt,
Battle,	Harrison,	Rozier,
Beall,	Headen,	Rumph,
Bird,	Hilliard,	Sapp,
Boyd,	Hoyle,	Sharman,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hudson of Gwin'tt	Simmons,
Boykin of Troup,	Johnson of Elbert,	Sinquefield,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Henry,	Slocumb,
Brown of Talbot,	Kirkpatrick,	Solomon,
Browning,	Kitchens,	Smith of Bryan,
Butts,	Lane,	Smith of Clinch,
Cannon,	Lawton,	Smith of Hancock,
Connally,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Tattnall,
Causey,	Lewis of Hancock,	Spinks,
Cooper,	Maynor,	Swearingen,
Davis of Bibb,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Tatom,
Dawson,	McLean,	Thompson,
Dorminy,	McLennan,	Walton,
Dozier,	Montgomery,	Ward,
Edenfield,	Moore,	Whitworth.
Faulk,	Murphy,	Wiggins,
Felton,	Myers,	Wyun,
Gordon,	Owen,	

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee moved to reconsider so much of said Journals as relates to the rejection of the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Superintendent of the Western and Atlantic Railroad to refund money in certain cases therein mentioned. The same was lost.

Mr. Phillips offered the following resolution, which on motion was taken up, read and agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House audit the account of Col. Thomas C. Howard for services as Clerk of the Committee on the Western and Atlantic Railroad.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to provide for the payment of Captain Samuel Patterson's Company of Union Mounted Volunteers, for services rendered the State of Georgia in the protection of citizens of the Cherokee country in the year 1838.

The special committee to whom the same was referred, reported a bill to be entitled an act to provide compensation for the commissioned and noncommissioned officers, musicians and privates of certain companies, and for other purposes, as a substitute therefor, and recommended its adoption and passage. The same was amended and adopted.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and Mr. Smith of Union required the yeas and nays to be recorded thereon. There are yeas 64, nays 44.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Headen,	Pickett,
Avery,	Henderson,	Porter,
Barron,	Hill,	Powell,
Barton,	Hoyle,	Pruitt,
Bird,	Hughes,	Reid,
Boyd,	Irvin,	Richards,
Brown of Burke,	Johnson of Cass,	Roberts,
Burnett,	Johnson of Elbert,	Rozier,
Butts,	Jones of Lowndes,	Sapp,
Caldwell of Walker,	Jones of Muscogee,	Simmons,
Cannon,	King of Fayette,	Slocumb,
Carlton,	King of McIntosh,	Solomon,
Crook,	Lawton,	Smith of Clinch,
Davis of Polk,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Union,
Dozier,	Lewis of Hancock,	Tatom,
Durden,	Lowe,	Terhune,
Edenfield,	McClary,	Thompson,
Feltos,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Thornton,
Fields,	M'Connel of Gord'n,	Wood,
Guyton,	McLean,	Watts,
Graves,	Milledge,	Wiggins,
Hale,	Pafford,	Williams,
Harris of Dough'ty,	Peterson,	Wynn.
Haynie,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Bartlett,	Beall,	Boykin of Troup,
Battle,	Boykin of Scriven,	Brown of Camden,

Brown of Talbot,	Hilliard,	Paris,
Browning,	Johnson of Carroll,	Phillips,
Connally,	Johnson of Henry,	Rumph,
Causey,	Jones of Warren,	Sharman,
Davis of Bibb,	Kilgore,	Sinquefield,
Dawson,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Bryan,
Dorminy,	Kitchens,	Smith of Tattnall,
Faulk,	Maynor,	Spinks,
Gordon,	McLenan,	Stamper,
Graybill,	Montgomery,	Swearingen,
Griffith,	Moore,	Taylor,
Harrell,	Murphy,	Walton,
Harris of Fulton,	Myers,	Ward,
Harrison,	Owen,	Whitworth,

So the bill was passed.

The report of the committee to whom was referred the memorial of certain persons, &c., in regard to claims against the Bank of Darien, presented through Mr Milledge, their Chairman, report thereon, which was laid on the table for for the present without being read.

The Judiciary Committee reported the^d following bills, which were read the first time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to legalize the acts of the City Council of Columbus in the issuing of bonds, and for other purposes ; and a bill to be entitled an act to dispose of the ungranted lands of this State.

The special committee to whom were referred the several bills relative to free colored people of this State, reported the following substitute therefor, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the removal of free negroes from this State, and for voluntary return to slavery. The same was read the first time.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House the following bill of the Senate, to-wit :

An act to change the time of holding the Superior Courts of certain counties therein named, and for other purposes,

Also, an act to change the time of holding the Superior Courts of certain counties therein named, and for other purposes.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Irvin in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a railroad company to be called the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad Company, and for other purposes.

The Committee to whom the same was recommitted offered an amendment, which was received, after which on motion the Committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House as amended.

Mr. Phillips offered the following as a substitute for the same, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to establish a Board of Commissioners of Internal Improvements, prescribe their duties, and to aid in carrying out such works of Internal Improvement as may be necessary for the benefit and well being of the people of this State, and for other purposes. The same was not adopted.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time. On the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 78, nays 50.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Harris of Fulton,	Porter,
Barton,	Haynie,	Powell,
Bartlett,	Hilliard,	Reid,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hoyle,	Richards,
Bradford,	Hughes,	Rozier,
Brown of Burke,	Irvin,	Rumph,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Cass,	Sapp,
Browning,	Jones of Lowndes,	Simmons,
Burnett,	Jones of Muscogee,	Sinquefield,
Butts,	Jones of Warren,	Slocumb,
Causey,	King of McIntosh,	Solomon,
Cottle,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Bryan,
Crook,	Kitchers,	Smith of Clinch,
Davis of Bibb,	Lane,	Smith of Hancock,
Davis of Polk,	Lawton,	Smith of Tattnall,
Dawson,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Union,
Dorrimy,	Lewis of Hancock,	Stamper,
Dozier,	McClary,	Swearingen,
Edenfield,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Taylor,
Faulk,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Terhune,
Felton,	McLenan,	Thompson,
Guyton,	Milledge,	Thornton,
Graves,	Moore,	Wood,
Graybill,	Pafford,	Walton,
Harrell,	Paris,	Warthen,
Harris of Dough'y,	Peterson,	Williams,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Cooper,	Johnson of Elbert,
Barron,	Daniel,	Johnson of Henry,
Battle,	Durder-	Kilgore,
Beall,	Fields,	King of Fayette,
Bird,	Gordon,	Lowe,
Boyd,	Griffith,	Maynor,
Boykin of Troup,	Hale,	McLean,
Brown of Talbot,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	Montgomery,
Caldwell of Walker,	Harrison,	Murphy,
Cannon,	Headen,	Myers,
Carlton,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Owen,
Connally,	Johnson of Carroll,	Parks,

Phillips,
Phinzy,
Pickett,
Pruitt,
Roberts,

Sharman,
Spinks,
Tatom,
Ward,

Watts.
Whitworth,
Wiggins,
Wynn.

So the bill was passed.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. McCants, Matthews and Stephens on account of sickness.

The House then adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and went into committee of the whole (Mr. Wood in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John W. Carlton of Fulton county, who received serious injury whilst in the employment of the State.

The same was amended by striking out "two," and inserting one thousand. The Committee then arose and reported the same back to the House through their Chairman as amended. The report as amended was agreed to, when on motion the same was recommitted.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock offered an amendment requiring the Superintendent of the Western and Atlantic Railroad to give the beneficiary in said bill permanent employment at such rates as will be sufficient to support himself and family.

The same was received. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the amendments of the Senate to the bill of House to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Thomas and Lowndes, and for other purposes, and concurred in the same.

The several bills relative to the removal, &c., of the free colored population of Georgia, were made the special order for the 23d instant.

The bill to be entitled an act to cause the several banks now in operation, or that may be hereafter in operation in this State, to pay the same per centum of tax for county purposes on their capital stock, real estate and other property, as individuals pay on their property, was referred to the Committee on Banks, with the requirement that they report by Saturday, the 23d inst.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to add an additional section to the 4th division of the Penal Code. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its

passage the yeas and nays were required to be recorded by Mr. Whitworth. They are yeas 72, nays 25.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Guyton,	Paris,
Barron,	Graves,	Peterson,
Battle,	Graybill,	Phillips,
Beall,	Haynie,	Phinizy,
Bird,	Headen,	Pickett,
Boyd,	Henderson,	Porter,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hilliard,	Reid,
Boykin of Troup,	Hudson of Harris	Richards,
Brown of Camden,	Hughes,	Rumph,
Brown of Talbot,	Irvin,	Sapp,
Browning,	Johnson of Carroll,	Simmons,
Burnett,	Johnson of Henry,	Sinquefield,
Butts,	Jones of Muscogee,	Slocumb,
Caldwell of Walker	King of Fayette,	Smith of Hancock,
Cannon,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Tattnall,
Carlton,	Lane,	Smith of Union,
Connally,	Lawton,	Stamper,
Causey,	Lewis of Greene,	Taylor,
Cooper,	Lewis of Hancock,	Terhune,
Cottle,	Lowe,	Thompson,
Crook,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Wood,
Davis of Bibb,	McConnel of Gord'n	Walton,
Davis of Polk,	McLenan,	Warthen,
Dawson,	Myers,	Watts
Dozier,	Pafford,	Wynn.
Gordon,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Powell,
Barton,	Johnson of Cass,	Pruitt,
Bartlett,	Kilgore,	Roberts,
Brown of Burke,	Kitchens,	Rozier,
Faulk,	Maynor,	Smith of Bryan,
Fields,	McClary,	Spinks,
Hale,	McLean,	Ward,
Harris of Meriwe'r,	Montgomery,	Whitworth,
Harrison,	Murphy,	

So the bill was passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to determine what shall be sufficient allegations in indictments charging the offence of unlawful trading and dealing with slaves, &c.

The same was amended as suggested by the Judiciary Committee.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The bill to be entitled an act to amend the laws respect-

ing divorce, and for other purposes, was laid on the table for the balance of the Session.

The bill to be entitled an act to amend the attachment laws of this State, so far as to authorize the issuing of attachments against the estates of deceased persons, was also laid on the table for the balance of the Session.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the rent laws of this State, was indefinitely postponed.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House, the following bill of the Senate, to-wit:

An act to incorporate the town of Brunswick in the county of Glynn, to define its jurisdictional limits, to provide for the election of the Mayor and City Council, and such other officers as may be required, and confer upon them special powers, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit:

A bill to change the line between certain counties therein named.

A bill to incorporate the Apalachee Mining Company.

A bill for the relief of Robert G. Ford of Worth county.

A bill to organize and charter a company to be called the Western and Atlantic Railroad Company, and to transfer the Western and Atlantic Railroad to said Company.

A bill in relation to the measuring of timber.

A bill for the relief of Henry Medora Arnold, wife of John B. Arnold of Glynn county.

A bill for the relief of George M. Hodges and Josiah Hill of the county of Macon.

A bill more effectually to define the duties of Brigade Inspectors of the several Brigades of Militia of this State, and for other purposes.

A bill to authorize the Inferior Court of Floyd county to lay off said county into school districts.

A bill to provide a remedy in the Supreme Court where the defendant in error dies between the trial in the Circuit Court and the filing bill of exceptions in the Supreme Court.

A bill amendatory of the act incorporating the Trustees of the Masonic Hall in the city of Milledgeville.

A bill to change the time of holding the Inferior Court in the county of Early, the Superior Court of Chattahoochee, and to allow two weeks for the Superior Court of Warren, and for other purposes.

A bill to amend certain sections of the act amending the act incorporating the town of Calhoun,

A bill to amend the 2d section of an act to prevent damages from dams, and for preventing persons from stopping the

natural courses of water to the injury of their neighbors, approved September 29th, 1773.

A bill to define and extend the powers of the Union Society of the city of Savannah.

The Senate has also passed the following bill of the House of Representatives with amendments, in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

A bill to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Thomas and Lowndes and for other purposes.

The Senate has also passed a bill of the House of Representatives to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Lowndes, Irwin and Coffee.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Bank of the State of Georgia to establish a Branch Bank in the city of Rome, Georgia, and for other purposes.

Mr. Terhune offered a substitute therefor, of the same title, which was adopted.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John A. Jones of the county of Polk. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to provide for the sale of insolvent tax executions in the several counties of this State, and to authorize the purchaser at such sales, or their transferers, or whoever may hold the same to collect the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Bailey White, and for other purposes.

Several amendments authorizing certain other persons to practise medicine and charge for the same, were offered and received.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and upon the question of its passage the yeas and nays were by Mr. Brown of Burke required to be recorded, and are yeas 31, nays 58.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Beall,	Harris of Fulton,	Lawton,
Boyd,	Headen,	Lewis of Greene,
Butts,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Lewis of Hancock,
Caldwell of Walker,	Hudson of Harris,	Lowe,
Cannon,	Irvin,	McClary,
Guyton,	Johnson of Cass,	M'Connel of Catoosa
Graves,	Jones of Muscogee,	McLean,

Paris,	Slocumb,	Swearingen,
Peterson,	Solomon,	Terhune,
Phillips,	Smith of Hancock,	Wood,
Powell,	Smith of Tattnall,	Whitworth,
Pruitt,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Durden,	Owen,
Avery,	Faulk,	Porter,
Barton,	Fields,	Reid,
Bartlett,	Griffith,	Roberts,
Battle,	Hale,	Rozier,
Bird,	Harrison,	Rumph,
Brown of Burke,	Hilliard,	Sapp,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Carroll,	Simmons,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Elbert,	Smith of Bryan,
Browning,	Johnson of Henry,	Smith of Clinch,
Carlton,	Kilgore,	Spinks,
Connally,	King of Fayette,	Tatom,
Causey,	Kirkpatrick,	Taylor,
Cooper,	Lane,	Thompson,
Crook,	Maynor,	Thornton,
Davis of Bibb,	McConnel of Gord'n	Walton,
Davis of Polk,	Montgomery,	Ward,
Dawson,	Murphy,	Watts,
Dorminy,	Myers,	Wyna,
Dozier,		

So the bill was lost.

Mr. Harris of Fulton offered the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That when this House adjourns, it adjourn to meet at 9½ o'clock Saturday morning next.

Upon the question of taking up the same, he required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 15, nays 76.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Burnett,	Lewis of Greene,	Powell,
Butts,	Lewis of Hancock,	Sapp,
Harris of Fulton,	Lowe,	Solomon,
Johnson of Cass,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Swearingen,
Jones of Muscogee,	Phillips,	Tatom,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Brown of Burke,	Crook,
Avery,	Brown of Camden,	Davis of Polk,
Bartlett,	Brown of Talbot,	Dorminy,
Battle,	Browning,	Dozier,
Beall,	Caldwell of Walker	Durden,
Bird,	Cannon,	Faulk,
Boyd,	Connally,	Fields,
Boykin of Scriven,	Causey,	Guyton,
Boykin of Troup,	Cooper,	Graves,

Griffith,	McConnel of Gord'n	Smith of Hancock,
Hale,	Mobley,	Smith of Tattnall,
Harris of Meriwet'r,	Myers,	Smith of Union,
Harrison,	Owen,	Spinks,
Haynie,	Paris,	Taylor,
Headen,	Peterson.	Terhune,
Henderson,	Pickett,	Thompson,
Hilliard,	Porter,	Thornton,
Hudson of Gwinnett	Pruitt,	Wood,
Irvin,	Reid,	Walton,
Johnson of Carroll,	Roberts,	Ward,
Johnson of Elbert,	Rozier,	Warthen,
King of Fayette,	Rumph,	Watts,
Kirkpatrick,	Sharman,	Whitworth,
Lane,	Simmons,	Wiggins,
Maynor,	Slocumb,	Wynn.
McClary,	Smith of Clinch,	

So the motion was lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to provide for the compensation of grand and petit jurors of the county of Lumpkin.

Mr. Graham offered the following, which was received as a substitute therefor, which is a bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the several acts passed prescribing the manner of compensating grand and petit jurors of the county of Lumpkin.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The bill to be entitled an act to lay out and create a new county from the counties of Talbot, Harris and Meriwether, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was indefinitely postponed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of A. M. Pratt of the county of Franklin. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Walton Female College in Monroe, Walton county, and other purposes therein mentioned. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to grant certain privileges to the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Harris. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter and change the line between the counties of Newton and Jasper. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Dorminy, Stamper and Cobb on account of sickness.

The House adjourned until 7 o'clock P. M.

SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The following bills of the House were read the second time and committed for the third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the 12th section of the 2d article of the Constitution of this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor to call a Convention upon certain contingences therein specified; and

A bill to be entitled an act to appoint a Commissioner to audit the claim of J. H. Howard, and to appropriate money for the payment of the same.

The following bills of the Senate were read the first time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to compel all persons residing in the counties of Crawford, Clinch and Chattahoochee, who are liable to perform road duty, to perform the same under certain penalties therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Clerks of the Superior and Inferior Courts of the counties of Pike and Clark to appoint Deputy Clerks with certain powers and privileges herein prescribed.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the acts incorporating the town of Thomasville, and to grant certain privileges to the same, and to extend its limits.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the endorsers on promissory notes and other instruments which shall be given for the purpose of negotiation, or intended to be negotiated, at any chartered Bank, or which may be deposited in any chartered Bank for collection, to be sued in the same action with the principal or maker.

A bill to be entitled an act in relation to the publication of the advertisements of county officers of the county of Tallapoosa.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Stephen W. Parker, a minor of the county of Chattahoochee, to transact his own business.

A bill to be entitled an act to organize and charter a company under the name and style of the Western and Atlantic Railroad Company, to transfer the Western and Atlantic Railroad to said Company, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

One hundred and sixty copies of said bill were ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

And a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the city of Americus in the county of Sumter.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Clerk of the Superior and Inferior Courts of the county of Ware to keep their office at their residence, if within eight miles of the Court-house, and to exempt the Justices of the Inferior Court from all other public duties during their continuance in office.

A bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new Judicial Circuit out of the counties of Heard, Coweta, Campbell, Carroll, Haralson, Polk and Floyd, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of H. C. Prior, Executor, &c.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Woodland Female College, located in the town of Cedar Town, Georgia, and to confer upon said corporation certain powers therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Azariah Burnett of the county of Dade to practise medicine and charge for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to divide the offices of Tax Collector and Receiver of Tax Returns of the county of Dade.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Warren Dykes, an infirm man of the county of Worth, as an itinerant trader to vend any goods, wares or merchandize within the limits and bounds of said county.

A bill to be entitled an act to continue in force the tenth section of an act to lay out and form a new county from parts of the counties of Early and Randolph, approved February 16th, 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Thomasville Female College.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Robert G. Ford of the county of Worth.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the line between certain counties therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to define and extend the powers of the Union Society of the city of Savannah.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the 2d section of an act entitled an act to prevent damages arising from dams or banks, and for preventing persons from stopping the natural course or courses of water to the injury of their neighbors, approved September 29th, 1773.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court to lay off the county of Floyd into school districts, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide a remedy for cases in

the Supreme Court where the defendant in error dies between the time of the trial in the Circuit Court and the time of filing the bill of exceptions, writs of error, citation and notice, in said Court.

A bill to be entitled an act amendatory of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Masonic Hall in the city of Milledgeville.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Henry Medora Arnold, wife of John B. Arnold of Glynn county.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend certain sections of the act amending the act incorporating the town of Calhoun,

A bill to be entitled an act to facilitate and expedite the collection of debts due by corporations, joint stock companies and associations, in cases where the stockholders and members are liable for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Wm. T. Shannon, Reuben J. Dawson and Daniel Pardue, securities of George P. Nickelson, late Tax Collector of Greene county.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of George M. Hodges and Josiah Hill of the county of Macon.

A bill to be entitled an act in relation to the measuring of timber, &c.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Apalachee Mining Company, and to confer certain privileges on the same.

A bill to be entitled an act more effectually to define the duties of Brigade Inspectors of the several Brigades of Militia of this State, and to regulate their pay

A bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Superior Court in the county of Early, the Superior Court of the county of Chattahoochee, and to allow two weeks for the Superior Court of the county of Warren, and for other purposes.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and committed for a third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to compel and require persons owning land in this State out of the counties in which they reside, to give in the numbers of the same and the county and district and section in which it was situated at the time it was granted, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to confer certain additional powers on the Mayor of the city of Savannah, and to authorize the Mayor and Aldermen of the said city to pass ordinances for the more effectual suppression of certain offences concerning slaves within the limits of the said city, and to provide for the taking of testimony in certain criminal causes triable at special terms of the City Court of Savannah, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to relieve executors and administrators from the necessity of publishing notices of sales of insolvent papers in the public gazettes of this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to prescribe the order of descent and succession of the estates of illegitimate persons who die intestate.

A bill to be entitled an act amendatory of an act entitled an act to secure a preference to persons in applications for grants under the laws pertaining to Head Rights, approved February 17th 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a bank in the city of Atlanta to be called the Bank of Fulton.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorise James O. Hunt of the county of Harris to practise medicine, charge and collect fees for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Fitcherville in the county of Thomas, and also to extend the corporate limits of the town of Bainbridge, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to require the State Printer to cause to be reported the proceedings of the Legislature.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Lamar in Baker county.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Jesse L. Bull, a minor in the county of Stewart, to be the heir at law of William Carter of said county.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a town to be called Warsaw.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank in the town of Madison, to be called the Bank of Madison.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the 6th section of an act approved 11th February, 1854, entitled an act to incorporate the Dalton and Copper Mine Turnpike, Plank and Railroad Company, and to allow the Company to build a Turnpike, Plank or Railroad.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter the time of holding the Inferior Court of the county of Worth.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the several laws in relation to the exemption of certain property from levy and sale, and to provide a mode for securing said property to the wife and children, or wife, or child or children, of said debtor.

A bill to be entitled an act to confer certain privileges upon John J. Spires of Lincoln county, and to make lawful his acts, and to give him authority to transact business as though he were of full age.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Morgan in Calhoun county, and appoint Commissioners for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act amendatory of an act entitled

an act to incorporate the town of New Gibraltar in DeKalb county, to appoint Commissioners for the same, to provide for the election of Commissioners in succession, and other regulations therein named, and to levy a tax for the improvement of said town, to change the name and extend the limits of said town, assented to December 17th, 1847, and also to incorporate the town of Tunnell Hill in the county of Whitfield, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Asa Houston Langston of Hart county to practise medicine in this State, receive and collect the usual fees for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act defining the duty of the Inferior Courts in relation to building bridges, so far as relates to Jackson county.

A bill to be entitled an act to limit the time of service of Grand and Petit Jurors in the City Court of Savannah, and to exempt the Keepers of Laurel Grove Cemetery and the Catholic Cemetery near the city of Savannah from service on Juries of the Superior Court and the City Court of Savannah.

A bill to be entitled an act to compel owners of slaves on plantations or farms in Effingham county to keep a white man on said plantation or farm.

A bill to be entitled an act to exempt the active members of the Young America Fire Company from Jury and Militia duty.

A bill to be entitled an act to extend the charter of the Savannah Institution for Savings.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Northeastern Railroad Company.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John F. Ball, Wm. Cox, Wm. H. Turner, and Wm. Prestley of Stewart county, Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Jesse J. Connel of Dooly county.

A bill to be entitled an act to point out the mode or manner of collecting magistrates' and constables' fees in the county of Chatham, and to amend an act to repeal an act to extend the civil jurisdiction of the Justices of the Peace, &c.

A bill to be entitled an act to compensate the Sheriff of the county of Wilkes and his deputies, for summoning Jurors and attending the Courts of said county.

A bill to be entitled an act to define the time of holding the Superior Courts in Brunswick Judicial Circuit, and for other purposes.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to give further time for holding the Superior Courts of Sumter, Lee, Dougherty and Baker counties. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to confer certain powers on Henry Davenport of Clark county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Lewis of Hancock, the bill to appropriate money to the Southern Agricultural Society, which was the special order for this evening, was made the special order for to-morrow evening.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change certain county lines therein named, which was reported by the Committee on Consolidation as a substitute for various bills relative to this subject. The same was amended and adopted.

The report was agreed to as amended. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act relative to the re-survey of the 6th district of Habersham county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices' Courts to establish lost papers to the amount of their jurisdiction, and charge for the same, as prescribed by this act.

Certain amendments were offered thereto and received.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to alter, change and amend the second section of an act entitled an act to regulate the advertising of Clerks, Sheriffs and other State and county officers, and to provide for the preservation of the newspapers containing said advertisements, and for other purposes, approved January 22d, 1852. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to improve the navigation of Great Ogeechee river so far as the appointment of new commissioners are concerned, by adding certain persons herein named to the commissioners in said act mentioned, approved February 7th, 1854. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The bill to be entitled an act to indemnify O. P. Beall of the county of Randolph, for the loss of a lot of land granted a second time, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to increase the salaries of the Judges of the Superior Courts. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the

bill to be entitled an act to authorize an administrator to sell land out of the county where it lies. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Smith of Union in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Andrew J. Nichols. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize and provide for the union and consolidation of the Muscogee Railroad Company with the Southwestern Railroad Company under the charter of the latter Company. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Hancock Internal Improvement and Banking Company, and to confer certain privileges on the same.

The same was amended by striking out that portion which authorized the loaning of money at usurious interest.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House adjourned until 9½ o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22d, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Avery, Walton, McLean, Sinquefield for a few days on account of sickness in their families.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the rejection of the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Bailey White, together with the amendments thereto.

Upon this proposition, Mr. Dawson required the yeas and nays to be recorded, and are yeas 49, nays 58.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs :

Anderson,	Felton,	Hudson of Harris,
Boyd,	Gordon,	Johnson of Cass,
Boykin of Scriven,	Graves,	Jones of Lowndes,
Browning,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Jones of Muscogee,
Burnett,	Haynie,	Jones of Warren,
Butts,	Header,	Kirkpatrick,
Caldwell of Walker,	Henderson,	Lewis of Greene,
Cannon,	Hill,	Lewis of Hancock,
Daniel,	Hoyle,	Lowe,

M'Connel of Catoosa	Porter,	Tatom,
McLenan,	Powell,	Terhune,
Moore,	Richards,	Thornton.
Paris,	Slocumb,	Wood,
Peterson,	Smith of Bryan	Whitworth,
Phillips,	Smith of Hancock,	Wiggins,
Phinizy,	Smith of Union,	Williams,
Pickett,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs :

Amiss,	Fields,	McLean,
Battle,	Graybill,	Montgomery,
Beall,	Griffith,	Murphy,
Bird,	Hale,	Myers,
Brantley,	Harrell,	Owen,
Brown of Burke,	Harris of Dougherty	Reid,
Brown of Camden,	Harrison,	Roberts,
Brown of Talbot,	Hilliard,	Rozier,
Carlton,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Rumph,
Connally	Johnson of Carroll,	Sapp,
Causey,	Johnson of Elbert,	Simmons,
Cooper,	Kilgore,	Sinquefield,
Cottle,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Tattnall,
Crook,	Kitchens,	Spinks,
Davis of Bibb,	Lauc,	Taylor,
Davis of Polk,	Lawton,	Walton,
Dawson,	Maynor,	Ward,
Dozier,	McClary,	Watts,
Durden,	M'Connel of Gord'n,	Wynn,
Faulk,		

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the rejection of the resolution that the House adjourn until 9½ o'clock Saturday.

Upon this question, he required the yeas and nays to be recorded, and are yeas 29, nays 78.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Battle,	Harris of Fulton,	Phillips,
Burnett,	Hill,	Phinizy,
Butts,	Johnson of Cass,	Powell,
Connally,	Jones of Muscogee,	Sapp,
Cottle,	Lewis of Greene,	Solomon,
Dawson,	Lowe,	Smith of Bryan,
Felton,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Smith of Hancock
Gordon,	Moore,	Tatom,
Graves,	Paris,	Wiggins,
Graybill,	Peterson,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Harrell,	Owen,
Amiss,	Harris of Dough'ty,	Pickett,
Barton,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Porter,
Beall,	Harrison,	Pruitt,
Bird,	Haynie,	Reid,
Boyd,	Headen,	Richards,
Boykin of Scriven,	Henderson,	Roberts
Boykin of Troup,	Hilliard,	Rozier,
Bradford,	Hoyle,	Rumph,
Brown of Burke,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Simmons,
Brown of Camden,	Hughes,	Sinquefield,
Brown of Talbot,	Irvin,	Slocumb,
Browning,	Johnson of Carroll,	Smith of Clinch,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Elbert,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cannon,	Jones of Warren,	Smith of Union,
Cooper,	Kilgore,	Spinks,
Crook,	King of Fayette,	Taylor
Daniel,	Kirkpatrick,	Terhune,
Davis of Bibb,	Kitchens,	Thompson,
Davis of Polk,	Lawton,	Thornton,
Durden,	Maynor,	Wood,
Edenfield,	McClary,	Ward,
Faulk,	McConnel of Gord'n	Watts,
Fields,	McLean,	Whitworth,
Griffith,	Montgomery,	Wynn
Hale,	Myers,	

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Phillips moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the rejection of the bill for the relief of Andrew J. Nichols. The same was lost.

The bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Lowndes and Thomas, and to attach the same to a Judicial and Congressional district, and provide for the location of a county site in such new county, was withdrawn.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Concordia Lodge, No. 45, of Independent Odd Fellows of the town of Irwinton, Wilkinson county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Superintendent of the Western and Atlantic Railroad to establish a Depot, &c. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and upon the question of its passage the yeas and nays by Mr. Sapp were required to be recorded. There are yeas 13, nays 72.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barnett,	Dawson,	Harris of Fulton,
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Johnson of Cass,	Paris,	Smith of Clinch,
Jones of Lowndes,	Rozier,	Wood,
Jones of Muscogee,	Sapp,	Wiggins,
Lewis of Greene,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Anderson,	Hale,	Myers,
Amiss,	Harrell,	Peterson,
Barron,	Harris of Dough'ty,	Phillips,
Battle,	Harris of Meriwe'r	Phinizy,
Beall,	Haynie,	Pickett,
Bird,	Headen,	Porter,
Boykin of Troup,	Henderson,	Pruitt,
Bradford,	Hilliard,	Reid,
Brown of Burke,	Hoyle,	Roberts,
Brown of Camden,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Rumph,
Brown of Talbot,	Hudson of Harris,	Sinquefield,
Browning,	Johnson of Carroll,	Slocumb,
Cannon,	Jones of Warren,	Solomon,
Causey,	Kilgore,	Smith of Hancock,
Cooper,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Tattnall,
Crook,	Kitchens,	Smith of Union,
Daniel,	Lawton,	Spinks,
Davis of Bibb,	Maynor,	Taylor,
Davis of Polk,	McClary,	Terhune,
Durden,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Thompson,
Edenfield,	McConnel of Gord'n	Thornton,
Faulk,	McLean,	Ward,
Felton,	Montgomery,	Watts,
Fields,	Moore,	Whitworth,
Griffith,	Murphy,	Williams,

So the bill was lost.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Ward in the Chair,) on the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to Wm. Wells and others. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Terhune in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to John Wilbite. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment.—The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage Mr. Daniel required the yeas and nays to be recorded, and are yeas 9, nays 86.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Bird,	Daniel,	Hill,
Cannon,	Headen,	Johnson of Cass,

Pickett,	Thornton,	Whitworth,
Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.		
Anderson,	Graves,	Myers,
Amis,	Harrell,	Owen,
Barron,	Harris of Meriwether,	Paris,
Bartlett,	Harrison,	Peterson,
Battle,	Hayne,	Phinizy,
Beall,	Henderson,	Porter,
Boyd,	Hilliard,	Poweli,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hoyle,	Pruitt,
Boykin of Troup,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Reid,
Bradford,	Hudson of Harris,	Roberts,
Brown of Burke,	Hughes,	Rozier,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Carroll,	Rumph,
Burnett,	Johnson of Elbert,	Simmons,
Butts,	Jones of Lowndes,	Sinquefield,
Caldwell of Walker,	King of Fayette,	Slocumb,
Connally,	King of McIntosh,	Solomon,
Causey,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Bryan,
Cooper,	Lane,	Smith of Clinch,
Crook,	Lawton,	Smith of Tattall,
Davis of Bibb,	Lewis of Greene,	Spinks,
Davis of Polk,	Lowe,	Tatom,
Dawson,	Maynor,	Terhune,
Dozier,	McClary,	Thompson,
Durden,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Wood,
Edenfield,	M'Connel of Gordon,	Ward,
Faulk,	McLean,	Watts,
Felton,	McLennan,	Williams,
Fields,	Montgomery,	Wynn.
Gordon,	Murphy,	

So the bill was lost.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Lewis of Hancock in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to erect a monument in honor of Hon. Andrew J. Miller, deceased. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Dawson, the same was ordered to be transmitted to the Senate without delay.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of James Sullivan, Tax Collector of the county of Union for the year 1854. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Lewis of Greene in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to appoint a Commissioner to audit the claim of J. H. How-

ard, and to appropriate money for the payment of the same. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to add an additional section to the Penal Code of the State of Georgia. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor, through Mr. deGraffinried, his Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—I am instructed to inform the House of Representatives that the following acts have been approved and signed by the Governor :

An act to make Walter R. Youlles, formerly Walter R. Highsmith, son of Walter Youlles, of the county of Wayne, the lawful heir of the said Walter Youlles of said county of Wayne

An act to amend an act assented to 24th December, 1847, entitled an act to incorporate the Muscogee Asylum for the Poor, to make provision for the support, and authorize the Inferior Court of Muscogee county to bind out poor children to said corporation under certain circumstances, and to provide for their education.

An act to repeal an act entitled an act to amend the patrol laws of this State, approved February 20th, 1854, so far as relates to the county of Glynn.

An act to incorporate Holmesville Lodge number one hundred and ninety-five, of Free and Accepted Masons of the town of Holmesville, Appling county.

An act to make final disposition of the assets of the Central Bank, and for other purposes.

An act to exempt all persons over forty-five years of age from patrol duty, and to shorten the time of service of patrol companies from six to three months.

An act to change the line dividing the counties of Coweta and Meriwether.

An act to authorize the Judges of the Interior Courts of the counties of Liberty and McIntosh to appoint a competent Surveyor for their respective counties, to properly run out and define a certain portion of the line which divides the above named counties.

An act to repeal an act entitled an act to reduce the fees of the several Tax Collectors hereafter to be elected in the county of Liberty, and for other purposes therein named, assented to December 21st, 1853.

An act to incorporate the Indian Springs Male and Female Academies, and appoint Trustees therefor.

An act for the relief of Joseph L. Robinson of the county of Appling.

An act to change the residence of John W. Darracott from the county of Warren to the county of Taliaferro.

An act to authorize persons owning or who may hereafter own lands on any water course in this State, to ditch and embank the same so as to protect said lands from freshets and overflows.

An act for the relief of Margaret Marchman, formerly Margaret Watson of the county of Greene, and to change the name of said Margaret Marchman to that of Margaret Watson, and also for the relief of William Meed of Harralson county.

An act to incorporate Randolph College in Cuthbert, Ga.

An act to confer certain rights and privileges on Charles R. Jarratt, his heirs and assigns, for the term of twenty-five years.

An act to incorporate the Atlanta Gas Light Company.

An act to make and constitute Anistatia Lorentine Horn of the county of Bibb, Ann McDaniel of the county of Talbot, and Sarah M. Norrill of the county of Pickens, sole traders.

An act to appropriate a sum of money to remove obstructions from the Big Satilla river, and to render the same navigable for timber rafts, lumber, wood, and produce thereon, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An act to authorize Charles Cowart, an infirm man of the county of Clinch, and Harmon N. Sapp, an infirm man of the county of Lowndes, as itinerant traders, to vend any goods, wares or merchandise within the counties of Clinch and Lowndes, without obtaining a license for the same.

An act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Paulding county to levy an additional tax on the State tax not exceeding two hundred per centum.

An act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Chatham county to borrow money, and levy and collect an extraordinary tax for the building of a new jail for said county.

An act to alter and amend an act entitled an act to carry into effect the amended Constitution of this State in reference to Ordinaries of this State, and for other purposes, assented to January 21st, 1852, so far as relates to the county of Tattnall.

An act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the counties of Catoosa and Polk to levy an extra tax for county purposes upon the recommendation of the Grand Jury of said counties.

An act to reduce the number of jurors required for Coroner's inquests in the counties of this State.

An act to change the name of the Augusta and Waynesboro' Railroad to the Augusta and Savannah Railroad, to amend the charter of said Company, and for other purposes.

An act to incorporate certain persons under the name and style of the Columbus Iron Works Company.

An act to incorporate the Georgia White Path Gold and Copper Mining Company of Northwestern Georgia.

An act to incorporate Sandy Run Academy in the county of Houston, and Cool Spring Academy in the county of Wilkinson, and to appoint Trustees for the same

An act to incorporate the Middle Ground Railroad, to provide for its organization, to define its rights and liabilities.

An act to incorporate Columbus Fire Company No. 4.

An act to incorporate the Bibb County Orphan Asylum.

An act for the relief of James Monroe Mitchell of the county of Muscogee.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker :—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit :

A bill to incorporate the Welaka Steamboat Company.

A bill to incorporate the St. Mary's Railroad Company, and for other purposes.

A bill to give owners of livery stables the same lien on horses that tavern keepers now have, and to give all masons or workmen connected with cutting marble in this State a lien upon the same.

A bill to consolidate the offices of Tax Collector and Receiver of Tax Returns of the county of Fannin.

A bill to incorporate the Bank of Hamilton.

A bill to authorize the Ordinary of DeKalb county to pay those who taught poor children in said county the balance in his hands of the money appropriated for the year 1855.

A bill to incorporate the town of Weston.

A bill to authorize the Inferior Court of Glynn county to have so much of the original records of said county transcribed, and to legalize the same.

A bill to add an additional section to an act incorporating the Georgia and Florida Steam Packet Company, approved February 18th, 1854, and for other purposes.

A bill to lay out and organize a new county from the county of Franklin.

The Senate has also passed the following bills of the House of Representatives, to-wit :

A bill to legalize the election of Henry R. Cody, of the county of Warren, as Ordinary of said county, and to authorize a commission to issue to him, and for other purposes.

The Senate has also passed the following bills of the House of Representatives with amendments, in which they ask the concurrence of the House, to-wit :

A bill to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Early and Baker.

A bill to alter and change the second section of an act in-

incorporating the Dalton and Gadsden Railroad Company

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the 12th section of the 2d article of the Constitution of Georgia, so as to permit the General Assembly to unite any two or more of the State House offices. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and the yeas and nays being recorded there are yeas 83, nays 18,

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Harrell,	Milledge,
Barton,	Harris of Dougherty	Montgomery,
Bartlett,	Harris of Fulton,	Murphy,
Battle,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Myers,
Beall,	Harrison,	Owen,
Boykin of Scriven,	Headen,	Paris,
Bradford,	Hilliard,	Peterson,
Brown of Burke,	Hoyle,	Powell,
Brown of Talbot,	Hudson of Gwin'tt	Pruitt,
Browning,	Hudson of Harris,	Rozier,
Burnett,	Ivin,	Rumph,
Butts,	Johnson of Carroll,	Sapp,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Cass,	Simmons,
Cannon,	Johnson of Elbert,	Sinquefield,
Carlton,	Jones of Lowndes,	Slocumb,
Causey,	Jones of Muscogee,	Solomon,
Crook,	Kilgore,	Smith of Clinch,
Daniel,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Hancock,
Davis of Bibb,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Tattnall,
Davis of Polk,	Lane,	Terhune,
Dozier,	Lawton,	Thompson,
Edenfield,	Lewis of Greene,	Thornton
Faulk,	Lewis of Hancock,	Walton,
Felton,	McClary,	Warthen,
Graves,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Wiggins,
Griffith,	McLennan,	Wynn,
Hale,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Boyd,	Hughes,	Phinizy,
Connally,	Jones of Warren,	Pickett,
Cooper,	Kitchens,	Roberts,
Fields,	Maynor,	Smith of Union,
Graybill,	M'Connel of Gordon	Spinks,
Haynie,	McLean,	Ward,

So the bill was passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor to call a Convention upon certain contingences therein specified.

On motion of Mr. Thornton, the same was made the special order for to-morrow.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Ward in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for the several purposes therein after mentioned.

Several amendments were offered and received, when the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House with the amendments.

Mr. Jones offered the following amendment, and required the yeas and nays to be recorded upon the question of receiving the same, viz :

And be it further enacted, That the sum paid to Mr. Duncan for the same work be credited upon the account of the Printers before the same is paid.

There are yeas 23, nays 68.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Boykin of Scriven,	Lewis of Hancock,	Phinizy,
Carlton,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Sapp,
Causey,	McLean,	Smith of Bryan,
Daniel,	Montgomery,	Smith of Clinch,
Johnson of Cass,	Murphy,	Thornton,
Jones of Muscogee,	Owen,	Williams,
Lane,	Paris,	Wynn.
Lewis of Greene,	Peterson,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amis,	Harrell,	Myers,
Barron,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	Pickett,
Barton,	Harrison,	Porter,
Battle,	Haynie,	Powell,
Beall,	Headen,	Pruitt,
Bird,	Hill,	Reid,
Boyd,	Hilliard,	Richards,
Boykin of Troup,	Hoyle,	Roberts,
Bradford,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Rozier,
Brown of Camden,	Hudson of Harris	Rumph,
Brown of Talbot,	Hughes,	Simmons,
Butts,	Irvin,	Sinquefield,
Cannon,	Johnson of Carroll,	Solomon,
Conally,	Johnson of Elbert,	Smith of Tattnall,
Crook,	Jones of Warren,	Smith of Union,
Davis of Bibb,	Kilgore,	Spinks,
Dawson,	King of Fayette,	Terhune,
Dozier,	Kirkpatrick,	Thompson,
Faulk,	Lawton,	Walton,
Felton,	Maynor,	Ward,
Fields,	McClary,	Warthen,
Graves,	McConnel of Gord'n	Watts
Griffith,	McLenan,	Whitworth,
Hale,		

So the amendment was not received.

[On motion of Mr. Crook, so much of the bill as provided

sixty-five dollars to compensate Waitezfelder & Co. for a certain carpet was stricken out.

This clause, on motion of Mr. Phillips, was reinstated by the unanimous consent of the House.

The amended report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House then adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and took up the Senate amendments to the following bills of the House, which were concurred in, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and change the second section of an act incorporating the Dalton and Gadsden Railroad Company ;

And a bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Baker and Early.

The bill to be entitled an act to define the liability of the several railroad companies of this State for injury to persons or property, to prescribe in what counties they may be sued and how served with process, was on motion referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to give the election of County Treasurer of the counties of Taylor, Chattooga, Chattahoochee, Calhoun, Spalding, Rabun, Walker, Polk, Worth, Fannin, Campbell and Clinch, to the legal voters of said counties.

The same was so amended as to extend its provisions to certain other counties.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act in relation to allowing Tax Collectors an insolvent lists by the Grand Juries of the several counties of this State. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to compensate the grand and petit jurors of the county of Tattnall, and authorize the Interior Court to assess such additional tax as may be necessary for that purpose.

Certain amendments were offered and received.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill

of the Senate to be entitled an act to fix the dignity and prescribe the order in which debts due by deceased persons shall be paid. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and upon the question of its passage, Mr. Harris of Fulton required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 22, nays 78.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barton,	Hale,	M'Connel of Gord'n,
Burnett,	Harris of Fulton,	McLenan,
Butts,	Johnson of Cass,	Owen,
Cannon,	Jones of Lowndes,	Pickett,
Causey,	Jones of Warren,	Tatom,
Durden,	Lewis of Greene,	Walton,
Felton,	Lowe,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Harrison,	Peterson,
Battle,	Haynie,	Porter,
Bird,	Headen,	Pruitt,
Boyd,	Hill,	Reid,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hilliard,	Roberts,
Boykin of Troup,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Rumph,
Bradford,	Hudson of Harris,	Simmons,
Brown of Burke,	Hughes,	Sinquefield,
Brown of Camden,	Irvin,	Slocumb,
Browning,	Johnson of Carroll,	Solomon,
Caldwell of Walker,	Jones of Muscogee,	Smith of Bryan,
Connally,	Kilgore,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cottle,	King of Fayette,	Spinks,
Crook,	Kirkpatrick,	Terhune,
Daniel,	Lane,	Thompson,
Davis of Bibb,	Lawton,	Thornton,
Davis of Polk,	Maynor,	Wood,
Dawson,	McClary,	Ward,
Dozier,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Warthen,
Faulk,	McLean,	Watts,
Fields,	Montgomery,	Whitworth,
Guyton,	Murphy,	Williams,
Harrell,	Myers,	Wynn.
Harris of Meriwet'r,	Paris,	

So the bill was lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Warren county to levy an additional tax sufficient to pay the annual expenses of the county and one-third of the present indebtedness of said county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the

bill of the Senate to be entitled an act for the relief of John J. Morris and John C. Morris of Clay county.

The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act for the relief of John H. Kelly of Hancock county.

An act to legalize the election of Henry R. Cody, of the county of Warren, as Ordinary of said county, and to authorize a commission to issue to him and for other purposes.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate Atlanta Female College, located in Atlanta, and to confer powers on the same. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to alter and amend the 12th section of the 1st article of the Constitution of this State. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and the yeas and nays on the question of its passage being recorded, there are yeas 97, nays 1.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Dozier,	Kilgore,
Barton,	Durden,	King of Fayette,
Barlett,	Faulk,	Kirkpatrick,
Battle,	Felton,	Lane,
Bird,	Fields,	Lawton,
Boyd,	Gordon,	Lewis of Greene,
Boykin of Scriven,	Guyton,	Lowe,
Boykin of Troup,	Graves,	Maynor,
Bradford,	Griffith,	McClary,
Brown of Burke,	Hale,	M'Connel of Catoosa
Brown of Camden,	Harris of Fulton,	McConnel of Gord'n
Browning,	Harris of Meriw'her,	McLenan,
Burnett,	Haynie,	Murphy,
Butts,	Headen,	Myers,
Caldwell of Walker,	Hill,	Owen,
Cannon,	Hilliard,	Paris,
Carlton,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Peterson,
Connally,	Hudson of Harris,	Phillips,
Causey,	Hughes,	Pickett,
Cooper,	Irvin,	Porter,
Cottle,	Johnson of Carroll,	Pruitt,
Crook,	Johnson of Cass,	Reid,
Daniel,	Johnson of Elbert,	Richards,
Dawson,	Jones of Muscogee,	Roberts,

Rozier,	Smith of Tattnall,	Wood,
Rumph,	Spinks,	Walton,
Simmons,	Tatom,	Ward,
Slocumb,	Terhune,	Warthen.
Solomon,	Thompson,	Watts.
Smith of Bryan,	Thornton,	Wynn.
Smith of Hancock,		

Mr. Montgomery voted in the negative.

So the bill was passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to repeal an act to change the line between the counties of Campbell and Fayette, so as to include the residence of Nathan Camp, now in the county of Fayette, in the county of Campbell, approved February 20th 1854. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act for the relief of James Henry Fannin of the county of Troup, a minor in the 21st year of his age. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit:

A bill to declare and define the jurisdiction of Courts of Ordinary in this State, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to incorporate the Fort Gaines Bridge Company, and to punish those who may wilfully impair the same.

The Senate has also passed the following bills of the House of Representatives, to-wit:

A bill to compensate Almon Guinn for the apprehension of William Mitchell, a fugitive from justice, and to appropriate money for the same.

Also, a bill of the House of Representatives to appropriate money for the completion of the State Lunatic Asylum, and for other purposes, with an amendment, in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

All of which I am directed to transmit forthwith to the House of Representatives.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to change the mode of apportioning the poor school fund of Baker county, with the counties of Dougherty and Calhoun. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to prevent the pay-

ment of storage on cotton in the city of Columbus by farmers after selling from their wagons.

The same was so amended as to make the same general in its operation, and otherwise.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title as amended to conform to its provisions.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinaries of Whitfield, Lincoln and Fulton counties to pay arrearages due to teachers of poor children for certain years therein named.

Several amendments were offered and received thereto, but the House adjourned before any farther action on the bill until 7 o'clock P. M.

SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The following bills of the House were read the second time, and committed for the third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to dispose of the ungranted lands in this State ; and

A bill to be entitled an act to legalize the acts of the City Council of Columbus in the issuing of bonds, and for other purposes.

The following bills of the Senate were read the first time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Fort Gaines Bridge Company, and to punish those who may wilfully impair the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to declare and define the jurisdiction of Courts of Ordinary in this State, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

And a bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the county of Franklin.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank in the town of Hamilton, to be called the Bank of Hamilton Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Weston.

A bill to be entitled an act to add an additional section to an act incorporating the Georgia and Florida Steam Packet Company, approved February 18th, 1854, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Welaka Steamboat Company.

A bill to be entitled an act to lay out a new county from

the counties of Rabun and Union, and provide for the organization of the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Glynn county to have copies of the original records transcribed, and to legalize the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to consolidate the offices of Tax Collector and Receiver of Tax Returns for the county of Fannin.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary of DeKalb county to pay the teachers of poor children of said county the balance in his hands of the money appropriated for the year 1855.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the St. Mary's Railroad Company, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to give owners of livery stables the same lien upon horses that tavern keepers now have, and to give all masons or workmen connected with cutting marble in this State a lien upon the same.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and committed for a third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to organize and charter a company under the name and style of the Western and Atlantic Railroad Company, to transfer the Western and Atlantic Railroad to said Company, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Robert G. Ford of the county of Worth.

A bill to be entitled an act amendatory of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Masonic Hall in the city of Milledgeville.

A bill to be entitled an act to continue in force the tenth section of an act to lay out and form a new county from parts of the counties of Early and Randolph, approved February 16th, 1854.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court to lay off the county of Floyd into school districts, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to define and extend the powers of the Union Society of the city of Savannah.

A bill to be entitled an act in relation to the measuring of timber.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of George M. Hodges and Josiah Hill of the county of Macon.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Henry Medora Arnold, wife of John B. Arnold of Glynn county.

A bill to be entitled an act to divide the offices of Tax Collector and Receiver of Tax Returns of the county of Dade.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Warren Dykes, an infirm man of the county of Worth, as an itinerant trader

to vend any goods, wares or merchandize within the limits and bounds of said county

A bill to be entitled an act more effectually to define the duties of Brigade Inspectors of the several Brigades of Militia of this State, and to regulate their pay

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Apalachee Mining Company, and to confer certain privileges on the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Thomasville Female College.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Inferior Court in the county of Early, the Superior Court of the county of Chattahoochee, and to allow two weeks for the Superior Court of the county of Warren, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide a remedy for cases in the Supreme Court where the defendant in error dies between the time of the trial in the Circuit Court and the time of filing the bill of exceptions, writs of error, citation and notice, in said Court.

A bill to be entitled an act to facilitate and expedite the collection of debts due by corporations, joint stock companies and associations, in cases where the stockholders and members are liable for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Wm. T. Shannon, Reuben J. Dawson and Daniel Pardue, securities of George P. Nickelson, late Tax Collector of Greene county.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend certain sections of the act amending the act incorporating the town of Calhoun, &c,

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the 2d section of an act entitled an act to prevent damages arising from dams or banks, and for preventing persons from stopping the natural course or courses of water to the injury of their neighbor, approved September 29th, 1773.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the lines between certain counties therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Woodland Female College, located in the town of Cedar Town, Georgia, and to confer upon said corporation certain powers therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Azariah Burnett of the county of Dade to practise medicine and charge for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the city of Americus in the county of Sumter.

A bill to be entitled an act in relation to the publication of the advertisements of county officers of the county of Taliaferro.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Clerk of the

Superior and Inferior Courts of the county of Ware to keep their office at their residence, if within eight miles of the Court-house, and to exempt the Justices of the Inferior Court from all other public duties during their continuance in office.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Wm. H. C. Prior, Executor, &c.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Stephen W. Parker, a minor of the county of Chattahoochee, to transact his own business.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the endorsers on promissory notes and other instruments which shall be given for the purpose of negotiation, or intended to be negotiated, at any chartered Bank, or which may be deposited in any chartered Bank for collection, to be sued in the same action with the principal or maker.

A bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new Judicial Circuit out of the counties of Heard, Coweta, Campbell, Carroll, Haralson, Polk and Floyd, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to compel all persons residing in the counties of Crawford, Clinch and Chattahoochee, who are liable to perform road duty, to perform the same under certain penalties therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Clerks of the Superior and Inferior Courts of the counties of Pike and Clark to appoint Deputy Clerks with certain powers and privileges herein prescribed.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the acts incorporating the town of Thomasville, and to grant certain privileges to the same, and to extend its limits.

The House then resumed the unfinished business of the afternoon, which is a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinaries of Whitfield, Lincoln and Fulton counties to pay arrearages due teachers of poor children for certain years therein named, together with amendments thereto.

Several additional amendments were offered and received.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Smith of Union in the Chair) on the bill of the House to be entitled an act for the relief of John Usry of Warren county.

The same was amended as suggested by the Committee on Finance, by striking out the sum originally set forth therein, and inserting in lieu thereof eight hundred and fifty dollars.

The Committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House as amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary of the county of DeKalb to pay Winston H. Cash the sum of thirty-one dollars, for teaching poor children of said county.

The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to repeal all laws consolidating offices of Receiver of Tax Returns and Tax Collector in the county of Irwin. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act to appropriate a sum of money to remove obstructions from the Big and Little Ohoopie rivers and to render the same navigable for the transportation of timber, rafts, lumber, wood and produce thereon, and for other purposes herein mentioned, approved February 4th, 1854. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate the Mount Vernon Methodist Camp Ground in Whitfield county and the Waresboro Camp Ground in the county of Ware, and to appoint Trustees for the same.

An amendment was offered and received thereto.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the House to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Lexington, in the county of Oglethorpe, and provide for the election of Intendant and Commissioners therefor, and to define their duties and powers, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize the Judge of the Superior Court of the county of Whitfield to draw two panels of grand and petit jurors for said county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank in the city of Savannah to be called the Timber Cutter's Bank. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate a bank in the town of Ringgold, to be called the Northwestern Bank of Georgia. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House then adjourned until 9½ o'clock on tomorrow morning.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23d, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Fields moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the passage of the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John Usry of the county of Warren. The motion prevailed.

The rules were suspended, and the House went into committee of the whole, (Mr. Terhune in the Chair) on the bill just reconsidered. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Fields, eight hundred and fifty dollars was stricken out.

Mr. Jones of Warren moved to fill the blank thereby created, with seven hundred and fifty dollars, and upon that proposition required the yeas and nays to be recorded.— There are yeas 63, nays 36.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Harrison,	Paris,
Barrett,	Headen,	Peterson,
Barton,	Hill,	Powell,
Bartlett,	Hilliard,	Pruitt,
Bird,	Hudson of Harris,	Richards,
Boyd,	Hughes,	Rozier,
Brown of Burke,	Johnson of Carroll,	Sapp,
Burnett,	Johnson of Cass,	Simmons,
Butts,	Johnson of Elbert,	Sinquefield,
Cannon,	Jones of Lowndes,	Slocumb,
Carlton,	Jones of Warren,	Solomon,
Cottle,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Bryan,
Crook,	Kitchers,	Smith of Church,
Davis of Polk,	Lane,	Smith of Hancock,
Faulk,	Lowe,	Tatom,
Felton,	McClary,	Thornton,
Griffith,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Wood,
Hale,	McConnell of Gord'n,	Watts,
Harrell,	McLenan,	Wiggins,
Harris of Doughy,	Moore,	Williams,
Harris of Fulton,	Myers,	Wynn.

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barron,	Battle,	Boykin of Scriven,
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Bradford,	Gordon,	Pickett,
Brown of Camden,	Graves,	Porter,
Brown of Talbot,	Graybill,	Reid,
Caldwell of Walker,	Harris of Meriwet'r	Roberts,
Connally,	Hudson of Gwin'tt.	Rumph,
Causey,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Tattual,
Cooper,	Lawton,	Spinks,
Daniel,	Lewis of Greene,	Terhune,
Dawson,	Maynor,	Thompson,
Durden,	Montgomery,	Ward,
Fields,	Murphy,	Whitworth,

So the same was received.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, Mr. Fields required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 67, nays 26.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Paris,
Barrett,	Harrison,	Peterson,
Barton,	Headen,	Phillips,
Bartlett,	Hill,	Pickett,
Bird,	Hilliard,	Porter,
Boyd,	Hudson of Harris,	Powell,
Bradford,	Kitchens,	Richards,
Brown of Burke,	Hughes,	Rozier,
Browning,	Johnson of Carroll,	Sapp,
Burnett,	Johnson of Cass,	Simmons,
Butts,	Johnson of Elbert,	Sinquefield,
Cannon,	Jones of Lowndes,	Slocumb,
Carlton,	Jones of Muscogee,	Solomon,
Cottle,	Jones of Warren,	Smith of Bryan,
Crook,	Kilgore,	Smith of Clinch,
Davis of Polk,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Hancock,
Durden,	Lane,	Smith of Union,
Faulk,	Lowe,	Tatom,
Felton,	McClary,	Thornton
Graybill,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Wood,
Griffith,	M'Connel of Gordon	Watts,
Hale	Moore,	Wiggins,
Harrell,	Myers,	Williams.
Harris of Dougherty	Owen,	Wynn,
Harris of Fulton,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barron,	Cooper,	Lewis of Greene,
Battle,	Daniel,	Maynor,
Boykin of Scriven,	Dawson,	Montgomery,
Brown of Camden,	Fields,	Murphy,
Brown of Talbot,	Gordon,	Reid,
Caldwell of Walker,	Hudson of Gwin'tt	Roberts,
Connally,	Kirkpatrick,	Rumph,

Smith of Tattnall, Thompson, Whitworth.
Spinks, Ward,

So the bill was passed under the title thereof.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Taylor, Swearingen, Pafford, Davis of Bibb, Boykin of Troup, and King of McIntosh for a few days.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to compensate Almon Guinn for the apprehension and delivery of William Mitchell, a fugitive from justice, and to appropriate money for the same.

The House went into committee of the whole on the bill to be entitled an act to provide for the removal of free negroes from this State, and for their voluntary return to slavery. Several amendments were offered and rejected.

The substitute was accepted, when, on motion of Mr. Jones of Muscogee, the Committee arose and reported the same back to the House without amendment.

Mr. Thornton moved to amend by adding the following proviso to the second section, viz :

Provided that none of the money so raised shall be given to any agent or ship-owner living or coming from the north of Mason & Dixon's line.

Upon the question of receiving the same, Mr. Terhune required the yeas and nays to be recorded, and are yeas 50, nays 53.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs :

Barron,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Murphy,
Bartlett,	Hoyle,	Owen,
Battle,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Peterson,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hudson of Harris,	Pickett,
Browning,	Johnson of Cass,	Powell,
Burnett,	Jones of Lowndes,	Sapp,
Carlton,	Jones of Muscogee,	Slocumb,
Causey,	Kilgore,	Smith of Bryan
Dozier,	Lane,	Smith of Hancock,
Durden,	Lawton,	Smith of Tattnall,
Faulk,	Lowe,	Smith of Union,
Felton,	Maynor,	Tatom,
Gordon,	McClary,	Terhune,
Graves,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Thompson,
Graybill,	M'Connel of Gord'n,	Thornton.
Harris of Dougherty,	McLenan,	Whitworth,
Harris of Fulton,	Moore,	Wiggins,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs :

Amiss,	Bird,	Brown of Burke,
Barrett,	Boyd,	Brown of Camden,
Barton,	Bradford,	Brown of Talbot,

Butts,	Hill,	Pruitt,
Caldwell of Walker,	Hilliard,	Reid,
Cannon,	Hughes,	Richards,
Connally,	Irvin,	Roberts,
Cooper,	Johnson of Carroll,	Rozier,
Crook,	Jones of Warren,	Rumph,
Daniel,	King of Fayette,	Simmons,
Davis of Polk,	King of McIntosh,	Sinquefield,
Dawson,	Kirkpatrick,	Solomon,
Edenfield,	Kitchens,	Spinks,
Fields,	Lewis of Greene,	Wood,
Griffeth,	Montgomery,	Ward,
Hale,	Myers,	Warthen,
Harrell,	Paris,	Watts,
Harrison,	Phillips,	Williams,
Headen,	Porter,	Wynn,

So the same was not received.

Mr. Jones of Muscogee proposed to amend by striking out all between the words "direction" in the 6th line of the 2d section and "in" in the 11th line of said section, and inserting in the blank thereby created the words "of such person as he may think worthy of the trust, provided that no agent of the Colonization Society shall be the person so selected."

Upon this he required the yeas and nays to be recorded, and are yeas 28, nays 66.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barron,	Graybill,	McClary,
Bartlett,	Hoyle,	Moore,
Battle,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Powell,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Cass,	Sapp,
Browning,	Jones of Muscogee,	Tatom,
Burnett,	Kilgore,	Terhune,
Durden,	Lane,	Thornton,
Faulk,	Lowe,	Whitworth,
Gordon,	Maynor,	Wiggins,
Graves,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Causey,	Harris of Meriwet'r.
Barrett,	Crook,	Harrison,
Barton,	Daniel,	Headen,
Bird,	Davis of Polk.	Hill,
Boyd,	Dawson,	Hilliard,
Bradford,	Edenfield,	Hudson of Harris,
Brown of Burke,	Felton,	Hughes,
Brown of Talbot,	Fields,	Irvin,
Butts,	Griffeth,	Johnson of Carroll,
Caldwell of Walker,	Hale,	Johnson of Elbert
Cannon,	Harrell,	Jones of Warren,
Connally,	Harris of Dough'ty,	King of McIntosh,

Kirkpatrick,	Porter,	Solomon,
Lewis of Greene,	Pruitt,	Smith of Tattnall,
M'Connel of Catoosa	Reid,	Smith of Union,
McConnel of Gord'n	Richards,	Spinks,
Montgomery,	Roberts	Thompson,
Myers,	Rozier,	Wood,
Owen,	Rumph,	Ward,
Paris,	Simmons,	Watts,
Peterson,	Sinquefield,	Williams
Phillips,	Slocumb,	Wynn
Pickett,		

So the amendment was not received.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded. There are yeas 72, nays 33.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Hale,	Myers,
Barrett,	Harrell,	Owen,
Barron,	Harris of Dough'ty,	Paris,
Barton,	Harris of Fulton,	Phillips,
Bird,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Porter,
Boyd,	Harrison,	Pruitt,
Bradtord,	Headen,	Reid,
Brown of Burke,	Hill,	Richards,
Brown of Talbot,	Hilliard,	Roberts,
Butts,	Hudson of Harris,	Rozier,
Caldwell of Walker	Hughes,	Rumph,
Cannon,	Irvin,	Simmons,
Counally,	Johnson of Carroll,	Sinquefield,
Causey,	Johnson of Elbert,	Smith of Clinch,
Cooper,	Jones of Lowndes,	Smith of Hancock,
Crook,	Jones of Warren,	Smith of Tattnall,
Daniel,	Kilgore,	Smith of Union,
Davis of Polk,	King of Fayette,	Spinks,
Dawson,	King of McIntosh,	Wood,
Edenfield,	Kitchens,	Ward,
Felton,	Lewis of Greene,	Warthen,
Fields,	McConnel of Gord'n	Watts,
Gordon,	McLenan,	Whitworth,
Griffeth,	Montgomery	Wynn.

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Bartlett,	Graves,	Maynor,
Brown of Camden,	Graybill,	McClary,
Browning,	Hoyle,	M'Connel of Catoosa
Burnett,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Moore,
Carlton,	Johnson of Cass,	Murphy,
Dozier,	Kirkpatrick,	Peterson,
Durden,	Lane,	Pickett,
Faulk,	Lowe,	Powell,

Sapp,	Smith of Bryan,	Thompson,
Nlocumb,	Tatom,	Thornton,
Solomon,	Terhune,	Wiggins,

So the bill was passed.

The minority of the Committee on the State of the Republic being unable to concur in the majority report as to so much as recommends the passage of an act to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor to call a Convention upon certain contingences therein specified, beg leave respectfully to dissent from said report.

In view of the past history of agitation upon the subject of Southern rights and federal aggressions, the minority deprecates any action upon this subject, where unanimity of sentiment and concert of action may not be calculated upon with certainty. The position of the majority presents to the mind of the minority no hope of such a result.

Whatever the action had by a Convention called under the peculiar circumstances which surround us, if it contemplates resistance, it must be in character certain and fixed. The minority therefore respectfully suggest that in the event of the occurrence of any contingency specified by the Georgia Convention, the Governor do convene the Legislature forthwith, and communicate to them such aggression.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit :

A bill to incorporate the Summerville Male and Female Academies.

A bill to legalize certain processes in Monroe county.

A bill to incorporate Cartersville Lodge and Oak Bowery Lodge No. 81 of Free and Accepted Masons.

The Senate has also passed the following bills of the House of Representatives, to-wit :

A bill to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the several counties of this State, upon the recommendation of the Grand Juries thereof, to assess and collect a tax for the payment of the Grand and Petit Jurors, and for other purposes.

A bill to confirm and ratify the action of the Superior Court of Muscogee county in granting charters to the Muscogee building and Loan Association and the Columbus Building and Loan Association, and to legalize the acts of said Associations.

A bill to repeal the 3d section of an act to make permanent the site of the public buildings in the county of Emanuel at the town of Swainsboro, and to incorporate the same, and to change the name of Swainsboro to that of Paris, approved Feb. 18, 1854.

A bill to alter and amend the several acts now of force so

far as relates to Justices' Courts, approved Dec. 14th, 1811, so as to allow the same person to hold the two offices of the Clerk of the Inferior Court and Justice of the Peace of Lumpkin county.

A bill to incorporate the town of Hartwell in Hart county.

A bill to provide for the survey of the Okfeenokee swamp.

A bill for the relief of Wilson L. Owin of Upson county.

A bill to repeal an act to amend the patrol laws, approved Feb. 20th, 1854, relative to the county of Liberty.

A bill for the relief of Robert McIntire.

A bill to incorporate Nickojack Railroad and Mining Company.

A bill to incorporate Ocmulgee Mills.

A bill to incorporate the Greeneville Masonic Female Institute, &c.

A bill for the relief of Caleb J. Morcrist and Young J. Browning of Meriwether county.

A bill to authorize the Inferior Court of Polk county to levy an extra tax for county purposes, &c.

A bill entitled an act to explain, and supplementary to an act entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Washington county to levy and collect an extra tax for the purpose of building a court-house, &c.

A bill to change the corporation line of the city of Rome, so as to exclude the lands of Lewis W. Burwell, now in said city.

A bill to incorporate the town of Hillsboro in the county of Floyd.

The Senate has also passed the following bills of the House of Representatives with amendments, in which they ask their concurrence, to-wit:

A bill to authorize the drawing of Grand and Petit Jurors for the county of Dougherty.

A bill to authorize the Georgia and Florida Railroad Company to construct a branch road.

A bill to authorize certain persons therein named to build a bridge across the Chattahoochee river.

A bill to compensate Grand and Petit Jurors of Decatur county.

A bill to alter and change the line dividing the counties of Camden and Charlton, and for other purposes.

A bill to incorporate the Rome Volunteers, and for other purposes.

A bill to allow further time to the Sheriffs and their Deputies for the service of writs, &c.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker—

An act to lay off and organize a new county out of the counties of Lowndes, Irwin and Coffee, to be called Berrien county, to attach the same to the Southern Judicial Circuit.

to the first Congressional District, and to the Second Brigade and Sixth Division, Georgia Militia.

An act to repeal an act to amend the patrol laws of this State, approved Feb. 20th, 1854, so far as relates to the county of Liberty.

An act to incorporate the town of Hillsboro in the county of Floyd, and for other purposes.

An act to so change the corporation lines of the city of Rome as to exclude the lands of Lewis D. Burwell now in said city.

An act for the relief of Robert McIntire of the county of Chatham.

An act to lay out and organize a new county out of the counties of Thomas and Lowndes, and for other purposes.

An act to alter and change the second section of an act incorporating the Dalton and Gadsden Railroad Company.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Lewis of Hancock in the Chair,) on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor to call a Convention upon certain contingencies therein specified. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment.

Mr. Lewis of Greene offered the following as a substitute therefor:

A bill to be entitled an act to require the Governor to convene the Legislature on the happening of certain contingencies. Previous to any definite action on the same, the House adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and resumed the unfinished business of the morning, to-wit, the bill relative to the call of a Convention on the happening of certain contingencies, and the substitute thereto, offered by Mr. Lewis of Greene.

Upon the question of adopting the same, Mr. Lewis of Greene required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 36, nays 66.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barron,	Cannon,	Guyton,
Barton,	Carlton,	Hale,
Bartlett,	Causey,	Harris of Fulton,
Battle,	Cottle,	Hill,
Brown of Talbot,	Durden,	Hudson of Harris,
Burnett,	Felton,	Johnson of Cass,
Butts,	Gordon,	Kirkpatrick,

Lane	Murphy,	Smith of Bryan,
Lewis of Greene,	Paris,	Tatom,
M'Connel of Catoosa	Peterson,	Thornton,
McLenan,	Phinizy,	Wiggins,
Moore,	Solomon,	Williams,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	Pickett,
Barrett,	Harrison,	Porter,
Bird,	Headen,	Pruitt,
Boyd,	Hilliard,	Roberts,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hoyle,	Rozier,
Bradford,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Rumph,
Brown of Burke,	Hughes,	Sapp,
Brown of Camden,	Irvin,	Simmons,
Browning,	Johnson of Carroll,	Sinquefield,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Elbert,	Slocumb,
Connally,	Jones of Lowndes,	Smith of Clinch
Cooper,	Jones of Warren,	Smith of Tattnall,
Crook,	Kilgore,	Smith of Union,
Daniel,	King of Fayette,	Spinks,
Davis of Polk,	Kitchens,	Terhune,
Dozier,	Lawton,	Thompson,
Edenfield,	Maynor,	Wood,
Faulk,	McClary,	Ward,
Fields,	M'Connel of Gordon	Warthen,
Graves,	Montgomery,	Watts,
Griffeth,	Myers,	Whitworth,
Harrell,	Phelps,	Wynn.
Harris of Dough'ty,		

So the same was not adopted.

The report upon the original bill was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage Mr. Harris of Fulton required the yeas and nays to be recorded, and are yeas 71, nays 29.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Amiss,	Crook,	Harris of Meriwe'r
Barrett,	Daniel,	Harrison,
Barron,	Davis of Polk,	Headen,
Bird,	Dozier,	Hilliard,
Boyd,	Durden,	Hoyle,
Boykin of Scriven,	Edenfield,	Hudson of Gwinnett
Bradford,	Faulk,	Hudson of Harris,
Brown of Burke,	Fields,	Hughes,
Brown of Camden,	Guyton,	Irvin,
Browning,	Graves,	Johnson of Carroll,
Burnett,	Griffeth,	Johnson of Elbert,
Caldwell of Walker	Hale,	Jones of Lowndes,
Connally,	Harrell,	Jones of Warren,
Cooper,	Harris of Dough'ty,	Kilgore,

King of Fayette,	Porter,	Smith of Union,
Kitchens,	Pruitt,	Spinks,
Lawton,	Roberts,	Tethune,
Luke,	Rozier,	Thompson,
Maynor,	Rumph,	Wood,
McClary,	Sapp,	Ward,
McConnel of Gord'n	Simmons,	Warthen,
Montgomery,	Slocumb,	Watts,
Myers,	Smith of Clinch,	Whitworth,
Phillips,	Smith of Tattnall,	Wynn,
Phinizy,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barton,	Harris of Fulton	Paris,
Bartlett,	Hill,	Peterson,
Battle,	Johnson of Cass,	Pickett,
Brown of Talbot,	Kirkpatrick,	Powell,
Butts,	Lane,	Solomon,
Cannon,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Bryan,
Carlton,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Tatom,
Causey,	McLenan,	Thornton,
Cottle,	Moore,	Wiggins,
Felton,	Murphy,	Williams,
Gordon,		

So the bill was passed.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Lowe and Barron for a few days on account of special business.

The House then adjourned, on motion of Mr. Hudson of Harris, until 9½ o'clock Monday morning.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Leave was granted Mr. Phillips, and he reported a bill to be entitled an act more effectually to compel the payment of the legal tax heretofore imposed on agencies of foreign Banks, which was read the first time.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the Southern Mutual Insurance Company. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to alter and amend the first section of the third article of the Constitution of this State.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and upon the question of its passage the yeas and nays being recorded, there are yeas 34, nays 58.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Boyd,	Felton,	King of Fayette,
Bradford,	Gordon,	Lane,
Brown of Camden,	Guyton,	Lawton,
Brown of Talbot,	Graves,	Milledge,
Browning,	Headen,	Porter,
Burnett,	Hill,	Powell,
Caldwell of Walker,	Hudson of Harris	Pruitt,
Cannon,	Irvin,	Roberts,
Carlton,	Johnson of Carroll,	Solomon,
Cooper,	Johnson of Cass,	Taylor,
Crook,	Jones of Lowndes,	Wiggins,
Durden,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Hilliard,	Phinzy,
Barrett,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Pickett,
Barton,	Johnson of Elbert,	Richards,
Bartlett,	Jones of Warren,	Rozier,
Battle,	Julian,	Rumph,
Bird,	Kilgore,	Simmons,
Boykin of Scriven,	Kirkpatrick,	Sinquefield,
Brown of Burke,	Kitchens,	Slocumb,
Connally,	Maynor,	Smith of Bryan,
Cottle,	McClary,	Smith of Clinch,
Daniel,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Smith of Tattall,
Davis of Polk,	McConnel of Gord'n	Spinks,
Dawson,	Montgomery,	Tatom,
Dozier,	Moore,	Terhune,
Fields,	Murphy,	Wood,
Griffeth,	Myers,	Ward,
Harris of Dougherty	Paris,	Watts
Harris of Meriwe'r,	Peterson,	Whitworth,
Harrison,	Phillips,	Wynn.

So the bill was lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the House to be entitled an act to enlarge the boundary of the town of LaGrange, and to incorporate the same under the name of the city of LaGrange, and for other purposes therein mentioned. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bill, to-wit :

A bill to change the line of certain counties therein named.

A bill of the House of Representatives to endow the Southern Botanical Medical College at Macon, Georgia.

Also, the following bills of the House of Representatives,

with amendments, in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives :

A bill for the relief of Sarah H. Lamar.

A bill to allow trustees to make returns to the Court of Ordinary.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to confirm and ratify the action of the Superior Court of Muscogee county in granting charters to the Muscogee Building and Loan Association and the Columbus Building and Loan Association, and to legalize the acts of said Associations.

An act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Baker and Early.

An act for the relief of Caleb J. Moncrief and Young J. Browning, citizens of the county of Meriwether.

An act to provide for the survey of the Okefenokee Swamp, and for other purposes.

An act to repeal an act to change the line between the counties of Campbell and Fayette, so as to include the residence of Nathan Camp, now in the county of Fayette, in the county of Campbell, approved February 20th 1854.

An act for the relief of Wilson L. Owin of Upson county.

An act to alter and amend an act to alter and amend the several Judiciary acts now of force in this State, so far as relates to Justices' Courts, approved December the 14th, 1811, so as to allow and authorize the same person to hold the two offices of the Clerk of the Inferior Court and Justice of the Peace at the same time in the county of Lumpkin.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Hill in the Chair,) on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Hardy Smith of the county of Laurens. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and on the question of its passage, Mr. Guyton required the yeas and nays to be recorded, and are yeas 47, nays 45.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Carlton,	Harris of Dougherty
Barton,	Causey,	Harris of Meriwether,
Bartlett,	Cottle,	Hill,
Battle,	Crook,	Hudson of Harris,
Boykin of Scriven,	Dawson,	Hughes,
Bradford,	Durden,	Johnson of Carroll,
Brown of Talbot,	Edenfield,	Johnson of Cass,
Browning,	Felton,	Jones of Lowndes,
Burnett,	Guyton,	Lewis of Greene,
Cardwell of Walker,	Graybill,	McClary,

Milledge,	Richards,	Tatom,
Murphy,	Sapp,	Wood,
Paris,	Smith of Bryan,	Warthen,
Peterson,	Smith of Clinch,	Watts,
Phillips,	Smith of Hancock,	Wiggins,
Powell,	Smith of Union,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Headen,	Pickett,
Bird,	Henderson,	Porter,
Boyd,	Hilliard,	Pruitt,
Brown of Burke,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Roberts,
Brown of Camden,	Irvin,	Rozier,
Cannon,	Johnson of Elbert,	Rumph,
Connally,	Jones of Warren,	Simmons,
Cooper,	Julian,	Sinquefield,
Daniel,	Kilgore,	Slocumb,
Davis of Polk,	King of Fayette,	Solomon,
Dozier,	Maynor,	Smith of Tattnall,
Fields,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Spinks,
Graham,	M'Connel of Gord'n,	Thompson,
Griffeth,	Montgomery,	Ward,
Harrison,	Myers,	Whitworth,

So the bill was passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize and require the poor school commissioners of the county of Warren to pay Ezra McCrary, out of the poor school fund of said county, the amount paid by him as Justice of the Peace out of his individual funds for teaching poor children in said county in the years 1837 and 1838. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize John W. Grantham, an infirm person, and a citizen of Cobb county, to peddle and vend goods, wares and merchandize in the counties of Cobb, Cherokee and Paulding, without a license for that purpose as now required by law.

The same was amended by striking out the counties of Cherokee and Paulding; also, by authorizing Matthew Crenshaw to peddle, &c. in the county of Troup.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate Elberton Male Academy, in the town of Elberton, and County Line Academy in the county of Marion, and to appoint Trustees for the same. The same was amended.

The report was agreed to as amended. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Milledge in the Chair) on the reconsidered bill of the House to be entitled an act to appropriate a sum of money to improve and put in good order the road leading from Dahlonega to Morganton and Blairsville across the Blue Ridge at Cooper's Gap in Lumpkin and Union counties, and to appoint Commissioners to carry the same into effect.

On motion of Mr. Fields, the sum of two thousand was stricken out, and one thousand inserted in lieu thereof.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and upon the passage thereof Mr. Boyd required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 29, nays 56.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Harris of Fulton,	Pickett,
Barton,	Headen,	Powell,
Boyd,	Hill,	Roberts,
Bradford,	Hudson of Harris,	Sapp,
Cannon,*	Johnson of Cass,	Smith of Clinch,
Carlton,	Julian,	Smith of Hancock,
Connally,	Kilgore,	Smith of Union,
Felton,	Kitchens,	Wood,
Fields,	Milledge,	Whitworth.
Graham,	Phillips,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barlett,	Henderson,	Peterson,
Battle,	Hilliard,	Phinzy,
Bird,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Pruitt,
Boykin of Scriven,	Irvin,	Richards,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Carroll,	Rozier,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Elbert,	Rumph,
Browning,	King of Fayette,	Simmons,
Caldwell of Walker,	Kirkpatrick,	Sinquefield,
Cooper,	Lane,	Slocumb,
Cottle,	Lewis of Greene,	Solomon,
Daniel,	Maynor,	Smith of Bryan,
Davis of Polk,	McClary,	Smith of Tatnall,
Dawson,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Spinks,
Durden,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Tatom,
Edenfield,	Montgomery,	Thompson,
Griffeth.	Murphy,	Ward,
Harris of Dougherty,	Myers,	Watts.
Harris of Meriw'her,	Paris,	Wynn.
Harrison,		

So the bill was lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act for the relief of Mary Ann Lee of the county of Ware, and other persons therein named, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Certain amendments were offered and received.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act for the relief of teachers of poor children of the several counties of this State for the years 1853, '54 and '55. The report was agreed to.—The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize and require the Ordinary of Jackson county to pay to D. M. Burns, jr., of said county, his account for teaching of poor children of said county in the year 1850. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate the Athens Gas Light Company. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Macedonia Academy in the county of Coweta, and to appoint Trustees for the same, which was a bill of the Senate. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate the Jacob Hook and Ladder Company No. 4, and to confer certain privileges and exemptions. The report was agreed to.—The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Interior Courts in the counties of Fannin, Telfair and Clark to lay off said counties into school districts, to appoint trustees for the same, and to provide for the election of a treasurer for each of said districts, and for other purposes therein mentioned. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to make valid certain surveys, warrants and grants, and to authorize certain grants to be issued. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate and confer certain powers and privileges upon the Sealeville Hotel Company, the Pioneer Hook and Ladder Company, and the Church Asylum of Augusta. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the

bill of the Senate to be entitled an act limiting the time in which suits in the Courts of Law in this State must be brought, and also limiting the time in which indictments are to be found and prosecuted in certain cases, and for other purposes therein mentioned. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The following bills of the House, which were amended in the Senate, were on motion taken up, and the amendments thereto concurred in, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize certain persons therein named to build a bridge across the Chattahoochee river and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to allow further time to the Sheriffs and their Deputies for the service of writs, declarations, process and bills of equity.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and change the line dividing the counties of Camden and Charlton, and to appoint Commissioners to run the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to compensate Grand and Petit Jurors of the county of Decatur.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the drawing of Grand and Petit Jurors for the county of Dougherty.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Sarah H. Laman.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Rome Volunteers, and to grant certain immunities and privileges to members of the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to allow Trustees to make returns to the Court of Ordinary.

And a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for the completion of the State Lunatic Asylum, and for other purposes.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize the issuing of attachments and garnishments and to regulate proceedings in relation to the same, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House then adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and took up the report of the committee on the bill of the House to be entitled an act to legalize the acts of the City Council of Columbus in the issuing of bonds, and for other purposes. The

report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to extend the provisions of the 4th section, 29th Charles II. to the sale or gift of slaves. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to alter and amend the 19th section of the first article of the Constitution of the State of Georgia. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage the yeas and nays being recorded, there are yeas 70, nays 8.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Griffeth,	Montgomery,
Bartlett,	Harris of Dougherty	Moore,
Battle,	Harris of Meriwether	Myers,
Boyd,	Harrison,	Peterson,
Boykin of Scriven,	Henderson,	Phillips,
Brown of Burke,	Hilliard,	Porter,
Brown of Camden,	Hudson of Gwin'tt	Richards,
Brown of Talbot,	Hudson of Harris,	Roberts,
Browning.	Hughes,	Rumph,
Burnett,	Irvin,	Sapp,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Carroll,	Sinquefield,
Calloway,	Johnson of Cass,	Slocumb,
Carlton,	Johnson of Elbert,	Solomon,
Connally,	Julian,	Smith of Bryan,
Causey,	Kilgore,	Smith of Clinch,
Cooper,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Hancock
Coruwell,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Tattnall,
Crook,	Kitchens,	Smith of Union,
Dozier,	Lane,	Spinks,
Edenfield,	Lawton,	Tatom,
Fields,	Maynor,	Warthen
Guyton,	McClary,	Whitworth.
Graham,	Milledge,	Wynn,
Graves,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barton,	Gordon,	Murphy,
Cannon,	Hill,	Rend,
Davis of Polk,	M'Connel of Catoosa	

So the bill was passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Courts of this State to exercise criminal jurisdiction. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the

bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate the Lagrange and Oxford Railroad Company. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

On motion of Mr. Dawson, the rules were suspended, when he offered the following resolution, which was taken up, read, agreed to, and ordered to be transmitted to the Senate without delay, viz:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Georgia in General Assembly met, That his Excellency the Governor be and he is hereby requested to forward to the Pension Bureau at Washington City, the Muster and Pay Roll and other papers on file in the Executive Department in relation to the expedition under the command of Lieut. Col. David Adams, which was sent out under a resolution of the Legislature of Georgia in the year 1813, against the Creek Indians.

Resolved further, That the Governor be requested to inform this Legislature whether the State of Georgia has been reimbursed by the United States for the money expended in the payment of said troops, and if not, that our Senators be instructed and our Representatives requested to introduce a bill for refunding to the State of Georgia the amount so expended.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to confer certain additional powers upon the Mayor of the city of Savannah, and to authorize the Mayor and Aldermen of the said city to pass ordinances for the more effectual suppression of certain offences concerning slaves within the limits of the said city, and to provide for the taking of testimony in certain criminal causes triable at special terms of the City Court of Savannah, and for other purposes. The same was amended. The report was agreed to as amended. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to incorporate the Greenville Masonic Female Institute, located in Greenville, Georgia, and to confer powers on the same.

An act to incorporate the town of Hartwell in the county of Hart, and for other purposes therein named.

An act to endow the Southern Botanical Medical College at Macon, Georgia.

An act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Polk to levy an extra tax for county purposes, upon recommendation of the Grand Jury of said county.

An act to incorporate the Nickojack Railroad and Mining Company.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to regulate the testimony of Attorneys at Law, approved February 21st, 1850. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, Mr. Harris of Fulton required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 5, nays 87

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Brantley,	Johnson of Cass,	Terhune,
Harris of Fulton,	McConnel of Catoosa	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Fields,	Moore,
Barrett,	Guyton,	Myers,
Barton,	Graham,	Owen,
Bartlett,	Graves,	Paris,
Battle,	Griffeth,	Peterson,
Bird,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Pickett,
Boyd,	Harrison,	Porter,
Boykin of Scriven,	Headen,	Powell,
Bradford,	Hill,	Pruitt,
Brown of Burke,	Hilliard,	Richards,
Brown of Camden,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Roberts,
Brown of Talbot,	Hudson of Harris,	Rumph,
Browning,	Hughes,	Sapp,
Butts,	Irvin,	Shipp,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Carroll,	Simmons,
Calloway,	Johnson of Elbert,	Sinquefield,
Cannon,	Jones of Lowndes,	Slocumb,
Connally,	Jones of Warren,	Smith of Clinch,
Cooper,	Julian,	Smith of Hancock,
Cornwell,	Kilgore,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cottle,	King of Fayette,	Spinks,
Crook,	Kitchens,	Tatom,
Daniel,	Lane,	Taylor,
Davis of Polk,	Lawton,	Thompson,
Dawson,	Maynor,	Wood,
Dozier,	McClary,	Ward,
Durden,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Warthen,
Edenfield,	Milledge,	Whitworth,
Felton,	Montgomery	Wynn.

So the bill was lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to protect the citizens of the counties of Worth, Richmond and Clinch from the injurious consequences of camp-hunting by non-residents.

The same was so amended as to extend its provisions to the counties of Berrien and Bryan.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, the

yeas and nays were required to be recorded. There are yeas 61, nays 37

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs :

Avery,	Guyton,	Peterson,
Barrett,	Graves,	Phillips,
Barton,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Pickett,
Bird,	Harrison,	Porter,
Boyd,	Headen,	Powell,
Boykin of Scriven,	Henderson,	Richards,
Bradford,	Hilliard,	Roberts,
Brown of Camden,	Hughes,	Rumph,
Browning,	Irvin,	Sapp,
Burnett,	Johnson of Carroll,	Simmons,
Butts,	Jones of Lowndes,	Sinquefield,
Caldwell of Walker,	Julian,	Slocumb,
Cannon,	King of Fayette,	Solomon,
Cooper,	Kitchens,	Smith of Bryan
Crook,	Lawton,	Smith of Clinch,
Davis of Polk,	McClary,	Smith of Hancock,
Dozier,	Milledge,	Smith of Union,
Durden,	Montgomery,	Taylor,
Edenfield,	Myers,	Thompson,
Fields,	Paris,	Wood,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs :

Bartlett,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Phinizy,
Battle,	Hudson of Harris,	Reid,
Brown of Burke,	Johnson of Cass,	Rozier,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Elbert,	Smith of Tattnall,
Carlton,	Jones of Warren,	Spinks,
Connally,	Kilgore,	Tatom,
Cottle,	Kirkpatrick,	Terhune,
Daniel,	Lane,	Ward,
Dawson,	Lewis of Greene,	Warthen,
Felton,	Maynor,	Watts,
Griffith,	McConnel of Catoosa,	Whitworth,
Harris of Dougherty,	Moore,	Wynn,
Hill,	Owen,	

So the bill was passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to alter and amend the fifteenth section of the fourteenth division of the Penal Code. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to amend the tenth section of the thirteenth division of the Penal Code of this State. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill

of the Senate to be entitled an act for the protection of the rights of Eugene Allen, a minor of Troup county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize bills of sale to be proven, recorded and admitted in evidence in certain cases therein mentioned. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to reduce the Sheriffs' bond of Worth, Hart and Pickens counties. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act for the relief of Henry Cox of the county of Washington. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, Mr. Warthen required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 72, nays 20.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Griffeth,	Owen,
Bartlett,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Paris,
Bird,	Harrison,	Phinizy,
Boyd,	Headen,	Pickett,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hill,	Porter,
Boykin of Troup,	Hilliard,	Reid,
Brantley,	Hudson of Harris,	Richards,
Brown of Camden,	Hughes,	Rumph,
Browning,	Irvin,	Sapp,
Butts,	Johnson of Carroll,	Simmons,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Cass,	Sinquefield,
Cannon,	Johnson of Elbert,	Slocumb,
Connally,	Jones of Warren,	Smith of Bryan,
Causey,	Julian,	Smith of Clinch,
Cooper,	Kilgore,	Smith of Hancock,
Cottle,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Tattnall,
Crook,	Lane,	Smith of Union,
Daniel,	Lawton,	Tatom,
Davis of Polk,	McClary,	Taylor,
Edenfield,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Thompson,
Felton,	McLean,	Ward,
Fields,	Milledge,	Warthen,
Gordon,	Moote,	Whitworth,
Graves,	Murphy,	Wynn

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Bradford	Carlton,	Harris of Fulton,
Brown of Burke,	Cornwell,	Hudson of Gwin't,
Brown of Talbot,	Dawson,	Kirkpatrick,
Calloway,	Durden,	Lewis of Greene,

Maynor,	Peterson,	Spinks,
McConnel of Catoosa,	Phillips,	Terhune,
Montgomery,	Solomon,	Watts,

Solomon's bill was passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act in relation to the public records of counties where the same have been destroyed by fire, declaring that all deeds and other instruments in writing that have been recorded, shall be considered and taken as having been recorded upon sufficient proof of execution, and declaring what shall be proof of the contents of records so destroyed. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The following Message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bill of the House of Representatives with amendments in which they ask their concurrence, to-wit:

A bill appropriating money to repair the State House, or provide for its future reconstruction or removal.

Also, concurred in the resolution just transmitted to the Senate, relative to certain pay rolls to be sent to Washington City by the Governor.

All of which I am directed to transmit forthwith to the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Cannon, the Senate amendments to the bill of the House to be entitled an act to appropriate money to repair the State House, or provide for its future reconstruction or removal, was taken up. On the proposition to concur in the same, Mr. Fields required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 55, nays 50.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Boykin of Scriven,	Harrison,	Peterson,
Bradford,	Headen,	Phillips,
Brown of Burke,	Hill,	Phinzy,
Brown of Camden,	Hilliard,	Porter,
Burneta,	Hudson of Harris,	Powell,
Batts,	Hughes,	Pruitt,
Calloway,	Irvin,	Reid,
Causey,	Johnson of Elbert,	Rozier,
Cottle,	Jones of Lowndes,	Rumph,
Dawson,	Jones of Warren,	Sapp,
Dozier,	Kilgore,	Simmons,
Edenfield,	Kitchens,	Sinquefield,
Felton,	Lawton,	Slocum,
Graves,	McClary,	Smith of Bryan,
Griffeth,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Smith of Hancock,
Harris of Doughy,	Milledge,	Smith of Tattnall,
Harris of Meriwe'r,	Myers,	Taylor,

Terhune,
Thompson,

Ward,

Warthen,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Daniel,	Montgomery,
Barton,	Davis of Polk,	Moore,
Bartlett,	Durden.	Murphy,
Battle,	Fields,	Owen,
Bird,	Gordon,	Paris,
Boyd,	Harris of Fulton,	Pickett,
Brantley,	Henderson,	Richards,
Boykin of Troup,	Hudson of Gwin'tt.	Roberts,
Dorminy,	Johnson of Carroll,	Solomon,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Cass,	Smith of Clinch,
Caldwell of Walker,	Julian,	Smith of Union,}
Cannon,	King of Fayette,	Spinks,
Carlton,	Kirkpatrick,	Tatom,
Connally,	Lane,	Wood
Cooper,	Lewis of Greene,	Watts.
Cornwell,	Maynor,	Whitworth,
Crook,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Wynn.

So the same was concurred in.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to add an additional section to the ninth division of the Penal Code. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to repeal a portion of the second section of an act entitled an act to change the lines between the counties of Monroe and Crawford, and also to change the lines between other counties therein mentioned. approved February 13th, 1854. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize persons to submit controversies to arbitration, declaring how arbitrators shall be chosen, prescribing their powers, regulating the manner in which their proceedings shall be conducted, and for other purposes therein mentioned. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize and require interest to be recovered on open accounts in certain cases.

On motion of Mr. Terhune, the same was amended by excluding demands against the estates of deceased persons from its provisions.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, Mr.

Milledge required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 42, nays 50.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Battle,	Harris of Meriw'her	Murphy,
Brantley,	Headen,	Owen,
Brown of Camden,	Henderson,	Phinizy,
Brown of Talbot,	Hill,	Pickett,
Butts,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Powell,
Carlton,	Hudson of Harris,	Pruitt,
Causey,	Johnson of Cass,	Roberts,
Cobb,	Julian,	Sapp,
Cornwell,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Hancock,
Durden,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Union,
Felton,	Lane,	Spinks,
Fields,	McClary,	Tatom,
Gordon,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Ward,
Harris of Fulton,	Milledge,	Whitworth.

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Edenfield,	Paris,
Barton,	Graham,	Peterson,
Bartlett,	Graves,	Phillips,
Boyd,	Harrison,	Porter,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hilliard,	Rozier,
Bradford,	Hughes,	Rumph,
Brown of Burke,	Irvin,	Simmons,
Browning,	Johnson of Carroll,	Sinquefield,
Burnett,	Johnson of Elbert,	Slocumb,
Caldwell of Walker,	Jones of Lowndes,	Solomon,
Cannon,	Jones of Warren,	Smith of Bryan,
Connally,	Kilgore,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cooper,	Kitchens,	Terhune,
Cottle,	Lawton,	Thompson,
Crook,	Maynor,	Warthen,
Davis of Polk,	Montgomery,	Watts.
Dawson,	Myers,	Wynn.

So the bill was lost.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Jones of Muscogee on account of illness; also, to Messrs. Thornton, Cooper and Amiss.

The House then adjourned until 7 o'clock P. M.

SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act for the relief of Wm. T. Shannon, Reuben J. Dawson and Daniel Pardue, securities of George P. Nick-

elson, late Tax Collector of Greene county. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The Senate bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Union and Rabun, and for other purposes therein specified, was made the special order for to-morrow.

The following bills of the Senate were read the first time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Georgia and Florida Railroad Company to construct a branch road.

A bill to change the line of certain counties therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Cartersville Lodge and Oak Bowery Lodge No. 81 of Free and Accepted Masons.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Summer-ville Male and Female Academies, and for other purposes therein specified.

A bill to be entitled an act to legalize certain processes in Monroe county.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and committed for a third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to declare and define the jurisdiction of Courts of Ordinary in this State, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Weston.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary of DeKalb county to pay the teachers of poor children of said county the balance in his hands of the money appropriated for the year 1855.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank in the town of Hamilton, to be called the Bank of Hamilton Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Glynn county to have copies of the original records transcribed, and to legalize the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to add an additional section to an act incorporating the Georgia and Florida Steam Packet Company, approved February 18th, 1854, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to give owners of livery stables the same lien upon horses that tavern keepers now have, and to give all masons or workmen connected with cutting marble in this State a lien upon the same.

And a bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the county of Franklin.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Fort Gaines Bridge Company, and to punish those who may wilfully impair the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the St. Mary's Railroad Company, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to consolidate the offices of Tax Collector and Receiver of Tax Returns for the county of Fannin.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Welaka Steamboat Company.

A bill to be entitled an act [to lay out a new county from the counties of Rabun and Union, and provide for the organization of the same.]

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the House to be entitled an act to dispose of the ungranted lands in this State.

Mr. Hughes offered the following as a substitute therefor, which was adopted, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to abolish the Land Courts, and to provide for the sale of all ungranted lands in this State.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act declaring who are qualified and liable to serve as jurors in criminal cases, regulating the manner of empanelling a jury in such cases, declaring who are competent jurors, and the mode of ascertaining such competency, and for other purposes therein mentioned. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and upon the question of its passage the yeas and nays being recorded, there are yeas 57, nays 36.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barton,	Harrison,	Murphy,
Bartlett,	Henderson,	Paris,
Boykin of Troup,	Hill,	Peterson.
Brown of Burke,	Hoyle,	Pickett,
Burnett,	Hudson of Harris,	Porter,
Butts,	Hughes,	Reid,
Caldwell of Walker	Irvin,	Richards,
Cornwell,	Johnson of Carroll,	Roberts,
Cottle,	Johnson of Cass,	Rozier,
Davis of Polk,	King of Fayette,	Sapp,
Dawson,	Kirkpatrick,	Sinquefield,
Dozier,	Kitchens,	Solomon,
Durden,	Lane,	Smith of Hancock,
Felton,	Lawton,	Spinks,
Fields,	Lewis of Greene,	Tatom,
Gordon,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Warthen,
Guyton,	Milledge,	Whitworth,
Graves,	Montgomery]	Wiggins,
Harris of Fulton,	Moore,	Wynn.

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Edenfield,	Phinizy,
Barrett,	Graham,	Pruitt,
Bird,	Griffeth,	Rumph,
Boyd,	Harrell,	Simmons,
Boykin of Scriven,	Headen,	Slocumb,
Brown of Camden,	Hilliard,	Smith of Bryan,
Browning,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Smith of Clinch,
Cannon,	Johnson of Elbert,	Smith of Tattnail,
Connally,	Julian,	Taylor,
Causey,	Maynor,	Terhune,
Cooper,	McConnel of Gord'n	Ward,
Crook,	Myers,	Watts,

So the bill was passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to vest that portion of land known as the State's reserve below the city of Macon, in the corporate authorities of the city of Macon.

Mr. Terhune offered the following amendment, viz :

That all lands in this State now undisposed of and belonging to the State be and the same are hereby vested in the orphans of this State, and the same shall be distributed by the Governor by lot on the return of the Receivers of Tax Returns of this State of the orphans of the several counties of this State.

Upon the question of receiving the same, he required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 5, nays 77.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Brown of Camden,	Felton,	Terhune,
Cooper,	Phillips,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Durden,	Julian,
Barrett,	Edenfield,	King of Fayette,
Barton,	Fields,	Kitchens,
Battle,	Graves,	Lane,
Bird,	Griffeth,	Lawton,
Boykin of Troup,	Harrell,	Lewis of Greene,
Brown of Burke,	Harrison,	Maynor,
Browning,	Headen,	McConnel of Gord'n
Burnett,	Henderson,	Milledge,
Butts,	Hill,	Montgomery,
Caldwell of Walker,	Hilliard,	Moore,
Calloway,	Hoyle,	Murphy,
Connally,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Myers,
Cornwell,	Hudson of Harris	Paris,
Cottle,	Hughes,	Peterson,
Crook,	Irvin,	Phinizy,
Davis of Polk,	Johnson of Carroll,	Pickett,
Dawson,	Johnson of Cass,	Porter,
Dozier,	Johnson of Elbert,	Pruitt,

Reid,	Smith of Bryan,	Ward,
Richards,	Smith of Clinch,	Warthen,
Rumph,	Smith of Hancock,	Watts
Sapp,	Smith of Tattnall,	Whitworth,
Sinquefield,	Smith of Union,	Wiggins,
Siocumb,	Tatom,	Williams,
Solomon,	Taylor,	Wynn.

So the same was not received.

The report was then agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to prevent railroad agents from shipping or conveying their grain on the Western and Atlantic Railroad, in preference and to the injury of other persons, and to punish them for the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize Thomas H. Hall of the county of Baldwin, a minor, to transact his own business in the manner and subject to the same responsibilities as though he was of full age, and also to authorize Pliny Sheffield, jr. of the county of Thomas, a minor, to transact his own business in the manner and subject to the same responsibilities, as though he were of full age. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to repeal an act approved 22d January, 1852, entitled an act to repeal the 1st section of act approved 19th December, 1849, entitled an act to repeal all laws respecting the importation of slaves into this State, and to give certain powers to municipal corporations in relation to slaves, and to amend the act hereby revived, and to revive said first section so repealed.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage Mr. Crook required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 53, nays 28.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Cooper,	Headen,
Bird,	Cottle,	Henderson,
Boykin of Scriven,	Crook,	Hoyle.
Brown of Camden,	Dozier,	Hudson of Gwinnett
Browning,	Durden,	Johnson of Cass,
Burnett,	Edenfield,	Johnson of Elbert,
Butts,	Fields,	Julian,
Caldwell of Walker,	Guyton,	King of Fayette,
Cannon,	Graves,	Kirkpatrick,
Carlton,	Harrell,	Lane
Connally,	Harris of Fulton,	Maynor,

M'Connel of Catoosa	Pruitt,	Smith of Union,
M'Connel of Gordon	Reid,	Spinks,
Milledge,	Roberts,	Taylor,
Moore,	Rumph,	Terhune,
Myers,	Simmons,	Ward,
Peterson,	Slocumb,	Whitworth,
Phillips,	Solomon,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barton,	Harrison,	Porter,
Bartlett,	Hilliard,	Richards,
Battle,	Hudson of Harris,	Rozier,
Boyd,	Hughes,	Sapp,
Boykin of Troup,	Irvin,	Sinquefield,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Carroll,	Smith of Bryan,
Brown of Burke,	Kitchens,	Smith of Clinch
Cornwell,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Hancock,
Davis of Polk,	Montgomery,	Smith of Tattnall,
Dawson,	Murphy,	Warthen,
Felton,	Paris,	Wiggins,
Gordon,	Phinizy,	Williams,
Griffeth,	Pickett,	Wynn.

So the bill was passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the House to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor to issue bonds of the State under certain conditions and for certain purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to extend to the county of Webster the provisions of an act entitled an act to amend the road laws of this State, so far as relates to the counties of Wilkes, Laurens, Lincoln, Columbia and Twiggs, approved Feb. 20th, 1854. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to change the lines between certain counties therein named. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to amend the several acts to incorporate the town of Spring Place, and to prescribe the powers of the Commissioners of said town.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage Mr Wood required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 31, nays 54.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barton,	Boykin of Troup,	Burnett,
Boyd,	Brown of Burke,	Caldwell of Walker,

Cannon,	Julian,	Rumph,
Davis of Polk,	Kirkpatrick,	Sinquefield,
Dozier,	Lane,	Solomon,
Gordon,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Bryan,
Harris of Fulton,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Smith of Hancock,
Hoxie,	Murphy,	Wood,
Ivin,	Peterson,	Wiggins,
Johnson of Cass,	Reid,	Williams,
Johnson of Elbert,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Graham,	Phillips,
Bartlett,	Graves,	Phinizy,
Battle,	Harrell,	Pickett,
Bird,	Headen,	Porter,
Boykin of Scriven,	Henderson,	Pruitt,
Browning,	Hilliard,	Richards,
Calloway,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Roberts,
Connally,	Hudson of Harris,	Rozier,
Cooper,	Johnson of Carroll,	Slocumb,
Cornwell,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Clinch,
Cottle,	Kitchens,	Smith of Tattnall,
Crook,	Lawton,	Spinks,
Dawson,	Maynor,	Tatom,
Durden,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Taylor,
Edenfield,	Milledge,	Terhune,
Felton,	Moore,	Ward,
Fields,	Myers,	Whitworth,
Guyton,	Paris,	Wynn.

So the bill was lost.

The House adjourned until 9½ o'clock on tomorrow morning.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26th, 1866.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Crook moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday [as relates] to the concurrence of the House to the amendment of the Senate to a bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to reconstruct or rebuild the State Capitol.

Upon this proposition, Mr. Brown of Burke required the yeas and nays to be recorded, and are yeas 53, nays 57.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs :

Barrett,	Bird,	Brown of Talbot,
Barton,	Boyd,	Caldwell of Walker,
Bartlett,	Bradford,	Cannon,
Battle,	Brantley,	Carlton,

Connally	Julian,	Pruitt,
Cooper,	King of Fayette,	Richards,
Cornwell,	Kirkpatrick,	Roberts,
Cottle,	Lane,	Sapp,
Crook,	Lewis of Greene,	Solomon,
Daniel,	Maynor,	Smith of Union,
Davis of Polk,	McConnel of Catoosa,	Spinks,
Fields,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Tatom,
Gordon,	McLenan,	Wood,
Harris of Fulton,	Moore,	Watts,
Hoyle,	Murphy,	Whitworth,
Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Owen,	Wiggins,
Johnson of Carroll,	Paris,	Wynn,
Johnson of Cass,	Pickett,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs :

Anderson,	Harrison,	Porter,
Avery,	Headen,	Powell,
Boykin of Scriven,	Henderson,	Reid,
Boykin of Troup,	Hilliard,	Rozier,
Brown of Burke,	Hughes,	Rumph,
Brown of Camden,	Irvin,	Simmons,
Browning,	Johnson of Elbert,	Sinquefield,
Butts,	Jones of Warren,	Slocumb,
Calloway,	Kilgore,	Smith of Bryan,
Causey,	Kitchens,	Smith of Clinch,
Dawson,	Lawton,	Smith of Hancock,
Dozier,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Tattnall,
Edenfield,	McClary,	Taylor,
Felton,	Milledge,	Terhune,
Guyton,	Montgomery,	Thompson,
Graves,	Myers,	Thornton,
Griffeth,	Peterson,	Ward,
Harrell,	Phillips,	Warthen,
Harris of Dougherty,	Phinizy,	Williams

So the motion to reconsider was lost.

On motion of Mr. Lawton, so much of the Journal of yesterday as relates to the passage of the bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the first section of the third article of the Constitution of this State, was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. Terhune, so much of the Journals was reconsidered as relates to the passage of the bill to be entitled an act to add an additional section to the ninth division of the Penal Code.

Mr. Wood moved to reconsider so much of the Journals as relates to the rejection of the bill to be entitled an act to amend the several acts to incorporate the Town of Spring Place, and to prescribe the powers of the Commissioners of said town. The motion was lost.

*The House took up the bill of the Senate to be entitled

an act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Union and Rabun, and for other purposes therein specified, the same being the special order for to-day.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, Mr. Dawson required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 54, nays 42.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Hill,	Myers,
Boyd,	Hilliard,	Paris,
Boykin of Scriven,	Hoyle,	Phillips,
Bradford	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Pickett,
Brown of Camden,	Hughes,	Porter,
Browning,	Johnson of Carroll,	Powell,
Burnett,	Johnson of Cass,	Pruitt,
Caldwell of Walker,	Jones of Warren,	Richards,
Connally,	Julian,	Roberts,
Cooper,	Kilgore,	Sapp,
Crook,	King of Fayette,	Simmons,
Davis of Polk.	Kitchens,	Slocumb,
Fields,	Lawton,	Smith of Clinch,
Gayton,	Maynor,	Smith of Union,
Graham,	McClary,	Terhune,
Graves,	M'Connel of Catoosa	Wood,
Harris of Fulton,	McConnel of Gord'n	Whitworth,
Harrison,	Milledge,	
Headen,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Gordon,	Rozier,
Battle,	Griffeth,	Rumph,
Boykin of Troup,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Sinquefield,
Brantley,	Henderson,	Solomon,
Brown of Burke,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Hancock
Brown of Talbot,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cannon,	Lewis of Hancock,	Spinks,
Carlton,	McLenan,	Tatom,
Cornwell.	Montgomery,	Taylor,
Cottle,	Murphy,	Tharpe,
Daniel,	Owen,	Thompson,
Dawson,	Peterson,	Ward,
Durden,	Phinzy,	Watts,
Felton,	Reid,	Wiggins,

So the bill was passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to define the time of holding the Superior Courts in Brunswick Judicial Circuit, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker :—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit :

A bill declaring who shall be competent witnesses in the Courts of law and equity in this State.

A bill to further regulate the decisions and practice of the Supreme Court.

A bill to alter the liability of certain persons acting in a fiduciary capacity.

A bill to allow executors, administrators and guardians resident in other States or Territories, to control stocks and money in this State, and to empower trustees to dispose of stocks.

A bill to repeal an act assented Febr'y 18, 1854, requiring Tax Receivers to return the children in their respective counties entitled to the poor school fund, and to prescribe the mode of making said returns in future, and for other purposes.

A bill to incorporate Laurens Lodge No. 75 of Free and Accepted Masons.

The Senate has also passed the following bills of the House of Representatives, to-wit :

A bill to compensate Dr. Bedford J. Head for medical services rendered in the city of Oglethorpe during the prevalence of small pox in said city.

A bill to incorporate the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad Company, and for other purposes.

The Senate has also passed the following bill of the House of Representatives with an amendment, in which they ask the concurrence of the House, to-wit :

A bill to incorporate Garnet Hill Mining Company.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled, signed by the President of the Senate and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House, the following acts—

• An act to repeal all laws consolidating offices of Receiver of Tax Returns and Tax Collector in the county of Irwin.

An act to incorporate a Bank in the city of Savannah to be called the Timber Cutter's Bank.

An act in relation to allowing Tax Collectors an insolvent list by the Grand Juries of the several counties of this State.

An act to authorize the Judge of the Superior Court of the county of Whitfield to draw two panels of grand and petit jurors for said county.

An act to alter and amend an act entitled an act to appropriate a sum of money to remove obstructions from the Big and Little Ohoopie rivers and to render the same navigable for the transportation of timber rafts, lumber, wood and other produce thereon, and for other purposes herein mentioned, approved February 4th, 1854.

An act to change the mode of apportioning the poor school fund of Baker county, with the counties of Dougherty and Calhoun.

An act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Warren county to levy an additional tax on the State tax sufficient to defray the annual expenses of the county and one-third of the present indebtedness of said county.

An act to alter and amend the 12th section of the 1st article of the Constitution of this State.

The following message was received from the Senate by Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bill of the House of Representatives with amendments in which they ask their concurrence, to-wit :

A bill for the relief of Martha W. Clower of the county of Clark, and Harriet T. Danforth of the county of Wilkes, which I am directed to transmit forthwith to the House of Representatives.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Fletcherville in the county of Thomas, and also to extend the corporate limits of the town of Bainbridge, and for other purposes. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The Senate bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Rachael Black, was, on motion of Mr. Johnson of Cass, indefinitely postponed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act for the relief of Henry A. Clemmons. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Irvin in the Chair) on the bill of the House to be entitled an act to indemnify O. P. Beall of the county of Randolph for the loss of a lot of land granted the second time.

The same was amended by striking out all between the word "dollars" in the 6th line of the 1st section, and the 9th line of said section.

The Committee then arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House with amendment.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The bill of the House to be entitled an act to authorize and require certain parties to give evidence, and for other purposes, was on motion indefinitely postponed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Harris of Meriwether in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to the Southern Agricultural Society.

On motion of Mr. Lewis of Greene, the sum of three thousand dollars was stricken out, and five thousand inserted.

The committee then arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House as amended.

On motion of Mr. Lewis of Greene, the bill was recommitted, and the original amount inserted therein.

Mr. Harris of Dougherty offered the following amendment, which was received, viz:

And be it further enacted, That the premiums awarded by said Agricultural Society shall hereafter be distributed without favoriteism.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and on the question of its passage, Mr. Lewis of Greene required the yeas and nays to be recorded, and are yeas 59, nays 46.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barton,	Harris of Fulton,	Murphy,
Bartlett,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Owen,
Battle,	Henderson,	Paris,
Boykin of Troup,	Hill,	Peterson,
Bradford,	Hudson of Harris,	Phillips,
Brantley,	Hughes,	Powell,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Cass,	Richards,
Browning,	Jones of Warren,	Sapp,
Burnett,	Kilgore,	Smith of Bryan,
Carlton,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Clinch,
Causey,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Hancock,
Cottle,	Lane,	Smith of Tattnall,
Davis of Polk,	Lawton,	Tatom,
Dawson,	Lewis of Greene,	Tharpe,
Durden,	Lewis of Hancock,	Thornton,
Gordon,	McClary,	Wood,
Guyton,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Ward,
Graves,	McLenan,	Warthen,
Griffeth,	Milledge,	Williams,
Hale,	Montgomery,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Edenfield,	Kitchens,
Bird,	Fields,	Maynor,
Boyd,	Harris of Dougherty,	M'Connel of Gord'n,
Boykin of Scriven,	Harrison,	Phinzy,
Brown of Burke,	Headen,	Pickett,
Brown of Camden,	Hilliard,	Porter,
Cannon,	Hoyle,	Pruitt,
Connally,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Roberts,
Cornwell,	Irvin,	Rumph,
Crook,	Johnson of Carroll,	Simmons,
Daniel,	Johnson of Elbert,	Slocumb,
Dozier,	Julian,	Solomon,

Spinks,	Thompson,	Whitworth,
Taylor,	Watts,	Wiggins,
Terhune,		

So the bill was passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to lay off and divide this State into eight Congressional Districts, and to provide against illegal voting, assented to 23d December, 1843. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to remit the State tax to the amount of one hundred dollars of Solomon Page of Lee county, assessed to him by mistake of the Tax Receiver of that county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Lewis of Greene in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act to compensate Peter Mason of the county of Whitfield, for work and labor done on the eighth section of the fifth division of the Western and Atlantic Railroad, to appropriate money to pay the same, and for other purposes therein mentioned. The Committee arose and reported the same back to the House through their Chairman without amendment.

Mr. Phillips offered as a substitute therefor a joint resolution, giving Peter Mason the right to institute suit against the Western and Atlantic Railroad in the county of Whitfield, and saving him from the operation of the statute of limitation in the prosecution of said suit.

Previous to any definite action thereon, the House adjourned until 3 o'clock P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and resumed the unfinished business of the morning, to-wit, the bill relative to the compensation of Peter Mason, and the substitute offered thereto. The same was not received.

The report was then agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage Mr. Crook required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 23, nays 62.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Crook,	Headen,
Bradford,	Fields,	Irvin,
Caldwell of Walker,	Graves,	Johnson of Cass,

Jones of Warren,	Porter,	Smith of Union,
King of Fayette,	Pruitt,	Thompson,
Lawton,	Roberts,	Wood,
McClary,	Sapp,	Watts,
M'Connel of Gord'n,	Slocumb,	Wynn,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barton,	Griffeth,	Murphy,
Bird,	Hale,	Myers,
Boyd,	Harris of Dougherty,	Owen,
Boykin of Scriven,	Harrison,	Peterson,
Boykin of Troup,	Henderson,	Phillips,
Brown of Camden,	Hill,	Phinzy,
Brown of Talbot,	Hilliard,	Pickett,
Browning,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Reid,
Carlton,	Hudson of Harris,	Rumph,
Connally,	Johnson of Carroll,	Sinquefield,
Causey,	Johnson of Elbert,	Smith of Clinch,
Cooper,	Julian,	Smith of Hancock,
Cornwell,	Kilgore,	Smith of Tattnall,
Davis of Polk,	Kirkpatrick,	Spinks,
Dawson,	Kitchens,	Tatom,
Dozier,	Lane,	Taylor,
Durden,	Maynor,	Terhune,
Edenfield,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Tharpe,
Gordon,	McLenan,	Thornton,
Guyton,	Montgomery,	Ward,
Graham,	Moore,	Whitworth.

So the bill was lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to carry into effect the 13th section of the 4th article of the Constitution of the State of Georgia.

Mr. Terhune moved the indefinite postponement of the same, and upon this motion, Mr. Thornton required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 48, nays 56.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Davis of Polk,	King of Fayette,
Barrett,	Edenfield,	Kitchens,
Battle,	Fields,	Maynor,
Bird,	Graham,	McConnel of Gord'n,
Boyd,	Graves,	Myers,
Boykin of Scriven,	Griffeth,	Phinzy,
Brown of Camden,	Harrison,	Pruitt,
Browning,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Roberts,
Calloway,	Johnson of Carroll,	Rozier,
Cannon,	Johnson of Elbert,	Rumph,
Connally,	Jones of Warren,	Simmons,
Cooper,	Julian,	Slocumb,
Cornwell,	Kilgore,	Smith of Clinch,

Smith of Tattnell,	Tharpe,	Whitworth,
Spinks,	Thompson,	Williams,
Terhune,	Watts,	Wynn.

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barton,	Headen,	Paris,
Bartlett,	Henderson,	Peterson,
Boykin of Troup,	Hill,	Phillips,
Bradford,	Hilliard,	Pickett,
Brantley,	Hudson of Harris,	Porter,
Brown of Burke,	Irvin,	Powell,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Cass,	Reid,
Burnett,	Jones of Lowndes,	Richards,
Caldwell of Walker,	Kirkpatrick,	Sapp,
Carlton,	Lane,	Sinquefield,
Causey,	Lawton,	Solomon,
Crook,	Lewis of Hancock,	Smith of Bryan,
Dawson,	McClary,	Smith of Hancock,
Durden,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Tatom,
Felton,	McLenan,	Taylor,
Guyton,	Montgomery,	Thornton,
Harris of Doughy,	Moore,	Wood,
Harris of Fulton,	Murphy,	Wiggius,
Harris of Meriwe'r,	Owen,	

So the motion was lost.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, Mr. Thornton required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 36, nays 64.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Bartlett,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	Peterson,
Bradford,	Hill,	Phillips,
Burnett,	Hudson of Harris,	Porter,
Caldwell of Walker,	Irvin,	Powell,
Carlton,	Johnson of Cass,	Sapp,
Crook,	Jones of Lowndes,	Sinquefield,
Dawson,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Hancock,
Durden,	Lane,	Tatom,
Felton,	Lawton,	Thornton,
Guyton,	Lewis of Hancock,	Wood,
Hale,	McClary,	Ward,
Harris of Fulton,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Warthen,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Brown of Burke,	Connally,
Barrett,	Brown of Camden,	Causey,
Battle,	Brown of Talbot,	Cooper,
Bird,	Browning,	Cornwell,
Boyd,	Calloway,	Davis of Polk,
Boykin of Scriven,	Cannon,	Dozier,

Edenfield,	King of Fayette,	Rumph,
Fields,	Kitchens,	Simmons,
Graham,	Maynor,	Stocumb,
Graves,	M'Connel of Gordon	Solomon,
Griffeth,	Montgomery,	Smith of Clinch,
Harris of Dough'ty,	Murphy,	Smith of Tattnall,
Harrison,	Myers,	Smith of Union,
Headen,	Owen,	Spinks,
Henderson,	Paris,	Terhune,
Hilliard,	Phinizy,	Tharpe,
Hudson of Gwin'tt.	Pickett,	Thompson,
Johnson of Carroll,	Pruitt,	Watts.
Johnson of Elbert	Reid,	Whitworth,
Jones of Warren,	Richards,	Wiggins,
Julian,	Roberts,	Wynn.
Kilgore,	Rozier,	

So the bill was lost.

Mr. Ward, from the Committee on Public Printing, offered the following resolution, which was taken up, read and agreed to, viz:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Georgia in General Assembly met, That his Excellency the Governor be and he is hereby required to institute legal proceedings against the representatives and securities, or either of them, of the late Samuel T. Chapman, to indemnify this State for overpayments made to him as State Printer.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to repeal the 3d section of an act to make permanent the site of the public buildings in the county of Emanuel at the town of Swainsboro, and to incorporate and appoint Commissioners for the same, and to change the name of Swainsboro to that of Paris, approved Feb. 18, 1854.

An act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Courts of the several counties of this State, upon the recommendation of the Grand Juries thereof, to assess and collect a tax for the payment of the Grand and Petit Jurors, of Grand or Petit Jurors, and at their pleasure to discontinue, and again reassess the same, upon said recommendation.

An act for the relief of Sarah H. Lamar and Doctor William R. Holmes.

An act to allow further time to the Sheriffs and their Deputies for the service of writs, process, declarations and bills in equity.

An act to appropriate money for the completion of the State Lunatic Asylum.

An act to alter and change the line dividing the counties of Camden and Charlton; also, to change the line dividing the counties of Macon and Taylor, and for other purposes.

An act to compensate Grand and Petit Jurors of the county of Decatur

An act to allow Trustees to make returns to the Court of Ordinary in certain cases, and to make it their duty to do so in other cases, and also to allow William M. Reese, former Trustee of John G. Rives and family, to make returns to the Ordinary of Wilkes county.

An act to grant to certain persons therein named the right to build a bridge across the Chattahoochee river, on certain conditions therein mentioned.

An act to incorporate Ocmulgee Mills.

An act to compensate Dr. Bedford J. Head for medical services rendered in the city of Oglethorpe during the prevalence of small pox in said city

An act to incorporate the Rome Volunteers; also, the Washington Artillery, a volunteer military corps in the city of Augusta, and to grant certain immunities and privileges to the members of the same.

The bill to be entitled an act to provide for educational purposes, and the substitute therefor reported to-day by the Committee on education, were made the special order for to-morrow.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has concurred in the amendments of the House of Representatives to the following bills of the Senate, to-wit:

A bill to incorporate Elberton Male Academy, in the town of Elberton, and County Line Academy in the county of Marion, and to appoint Trustees for the same.

A bill to confer certain additional powers upon the Mayor of the city of Savannah, and to authorize the Mayor and Aldermen of the said city to pass ordinances for the more effectual suppression of certain offences concerning slaves within the limits of the said city, and to provide for the taking of testimony in certain criminal causes triable at special terms of the City Court of Savannah, and for other purposes.

A bill to incorporate the Lagrange and Oxford Railroad Company.

A bill for the relief of Mary Ann Lee of the county of Ware, and other persons therein named, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to amend the charter of the Southern Mutual Insurance Company.

A bill to make valid certain surveys, warrants and grants, and to authorize certain grants to be issued.

A bill to authorize the Justices of the Interior Courts in the counties of Fannin, Telfair and Clinch to lay off said counties into school districts, to appoint trustees for the

same, and to provide for the election of a treasurer for each of said districts, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

The Senate has disagreed to the amendments of the House of Representatives to the following bills of the Senate, to-wit :

A bill to prohibit the payment of storage on cotton in the city of Columbus by farmers after selling from their wagons.

A bill to add lots of land number 117 and 118 in the 6th district of Irwin county to the county of Worth, and to change the lines between certain other counties.

The Senate has also disagreed to the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to the bill of the House submitting the question of the removal of the Court-house of Macon county to the people thereof.

The Senate has passed the following bill, to-wit :

A bill to incorporate the Commercial Bank of Brunswick, which I am directed to transmit forthwith to the House of Representatives.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate the Northeastern Railroad Company.

Certain amendments were offered and received.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays being required to be recorded, there are yeas 32, nays 65.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barton,	Harris of Dough'ty,	McClary,
Bradford,	Headen,	M'Connell of Catoosa
Brown of Camden,	Hilliard,	Moore,
Browning,	Johnson of Cass,	Phillips,
Burnett,	Jones of Lowndes,	Powell,
Cannon,	Jones of Warren,	Pruitt,
Causey,	Julian,	Sapp,
Crook,	Kilgore,	Smith of Clinch,
Dozier,	Lawton,	Smith of Union,
Durden,	Lewis of Hancock,	Wood
Graves,	Maynor,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Caldwell of Walker,	Gordon,
Barlett,	Calloway,	Griffeth,
Battle,	Connally,	Hale,
Bird,	Cooper,	Harris of Meriw'her
Boyd,	Cornwell,	Harrison,
Boykin of Scriven,	Davis of Polk,	Henderson,
Boykin of Troup,	Dawson,	Hill,
Brantley,	Edenfield,	Hoyle,
Brown of Burke,	Felton,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,
Brown of Talbot,	Fields,	Hudson of Harris,

Irvin,	Phinizy,	Spinks,
Johnson of Carroll,	Pickett,	Tatom,
King of Fayette,	Porter,	Tharpe,
Lane,	Reid,	Thompson,
Lewis of Greene,	Roberts,	Thornton,
M'Connel of Gordon,	Rozier,	Ward,
McLenan,	Rumph,	Warthen,
Montgomery,	Simmons,	Watts.
Murphy,	Sinquefield,	Whitworth.
Myers,	Solomon,	Wiggins.
Owen,	Smith of Bryan,	Williams,
Paris,	Smith of Hancock,	Wynn.
Peterson,	Smith of Tattnall,	

So the bill was lost.

Mr. Hill presented his minority report as one of the Committee appointed to examine into the condition and management of the Western and Atlantic Railroad, which was read and on motion of Mr. Dawson, one hundred and sixty copies thereof ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

The undersigned, a member of the special committee appointed under a joint resolution of the House and Senate, to inquire into the finances, equipment and management generally of the Western and Atlantic Railroad, and all other matters appertaining to said road, of interest to the State, begs leave, not being able to agree fully with the majority of the committee, to submit the following minority report:

In pursuance of the instructions given him, the undersigned, as a member of the committee, proceeded to the discharge of his duties, the most important portion of which, in his opinion, was the investigation of certain charges recited in the following preamble and resolution, which was adopted in committee for the purpose of definitely shaping our proceedings and accurately specifying the scope and nature of our inquiries, viz:

"Whereas it has been repeatedly and distinctly charged that the management of the Western and Atlantic Railroad for and during the past year, has been characterised by numerous acts of *political favoritism*, and that the said road has thereby been made an engine of political power, devoted to the subservience of political purposes, greatly to the detriment of the interest and *honor* of the State; and whereas it has been specifically alleged that the rates of freight established to and from Etowah depot, were in violation of law, that higher rates of freight have been demanded and collected of the political party *out* of power, than were asked of the party *in* power, (both being on the same or similar mission where these respective but different rates were charged and collected,) which distinction between parties, on account of political opinion, was unjust, odious and plainly infractive of law; and whereas specie has been transport-

ed over the road free of charge in one instance, and taxed with freight in another, which distinctly evinces partiality, disregards and breaks the law; and whereas full fares have been demanded and collected of a railroad agent, known and recognised as such, and in other cases railroad agents on precisely the same footing, have been passed free, which distinction was made on account of the political opinions of said railroad agent, nothing to the contrary having been shown, or is possible to be shown; and whereas all these acts of favoritism, partiality and injustice, together with a general want of judicious economy, argue and demonstrate a decided want of *something*—either firmness or prudence or capacity, on the part of the Superintendent of said road, or his *superiors in office*; and whereas the people of all parties, who are the stockholders in said road, absolutely demand an investigation of all matters pertaining to said road; and whereas, in the language of the resolutions appointing this Committee, it is their duty and privilege “to examine into and report upon the Finances, Equipment and Management generally, and upon *all other* matters pertaining to said road of interest to the State. **Be it therefore**

Resolved, That this committee do now proceed to the plain duty required of them, as indicated in the above quoted resolution, which, in the opinion of this committee, requires the investigation of the above specified charges, with a view *finally to pronounce* and dispose of them, either as humiliating truths, or discreditable falsehoods.”

The undersigned entered upon his duties expecting to have the hearty co-operation of his fellow committee-men in a frank, full and free investigation, without regard to private feeling, party interests or any other object than the sole one of deciding finally whether or not the above recited charges were true. But he regrets to say, while he disclaims all intention to reflect upon the majority or their policy, that so far as the investigations of the committee tend to throw light upon these charges, nothing has been accomplished, in his opinion. ‘Too little time was taken for investigation; a majority of the committee had in the undersigned’s opinion, too limited notions of the extent to which investigations should be pushed; too fastidious ideas as to what were proper subjects of inquiry; and too narrow views of their own powers in the premises. The very matters, or many of them, which, in the opinion of the undersigned, called for the most rigid scrutiny, were held by the majority to be ‘beyond our scope,’ ‘not proper subjects of inquiry,’ &c., &c., while the undersigned would here distinctly recognise the confiding disposition of the majority, and their praiseworthy desire to look upon the bright side of every State road affair, he respectfully submits that it was *his* de-

sire to take nothing upon trust, but to sift every charge to the bottom, and *then* declare the result.

The *mode* of investigating the above recited charges was specially unsatisfactory to the minority, and is here made the subject of special protest. In order to ascertain their truth or falsity, the majority took the singular plan of calling upon his Excellency the Governor, and upon the Superintendent of the Road for information, *and there stopping*. Documents 'A' and 'B' were furnished the committee by the Governor and Superintendent, in response to the committee's request, and whatever they may show, the undersigned respectfully submits that they present but **ONE**—the administration-side of the question. This is a singular way of conducting an impartial investigation. But the minority would call special attention to the documents referred to.—In the opinion of the undersigned, while they admit the **FACTS** recited in the above preamble, they offer nothing in justification, except that it was in the power of the administration to do as it is charged they have done; and that having the power, there was no infraction of law; and there being no infraction of law, the acts recited were legal and could not be classed under the head of mismanagement.

It is the opinion of the minority that a rigid investigation would establish as true in the main, most, if not all the charges brought against the road during the last campaign.

If it be asked why such investigation was not had, the undersigned can only reply in addition to the reasons above given, that there was little concert of action or agreement in opinion between the various members of the committee as to their *duties* and *powers*. It being rarely the case that any two thought alike, the committee was seldom chargeable with having done anything to accomplish the object for which it was appointed, or to effect any good either to the Road or the State. A committee clothed with proper power, given ample time, and *animated with a sincere desire* to show up everything rotten and wrong, could, in the opinion of the minority, find some work to do on the State Road, and could rapidly diminish the prospect of that 'great interest' becoming the 'cherished pet' of both parties in the State.

The majority report sets forth that from the 'lights before the majority' they were 'bound to pronounce the above recited charges to be unfounded,' and then proceeds in general terms, to extol the management, policy, &c., of the road.—The great point which the minority would make, is that *there was little or no light before the committee*, though there should have been. Nevertheless, from the lights before the minority, the undersigned would submit :

1st. That there has not been that judicious economy in the settlements of law-suits which might have been exercised; nor that pains taken nor that conciliatory spirit mani-

fested on the part of the road, which if put in operation, might have stifled many of these suits at their inception, and thus saved to the State many thousands of dollars. This subject calls for investigation.

2d. The payment into the State Treasury of \$105,000 during the last campaign, was, in the opinion of the minority, ill-advised as a measure of Rail-road policy, though perhaps a shrewd stroke of diplomacy. The payment was, in the opinion of the minority, made solely for political effect, and while it accomplished no other good than good to the party in power, it was a source of evil. While it *deceived* the people, it damaged the Road. The said sum *should* have been applied to the discharge of debts of the Road, instead of being held idle for party purposes. Or if there were no debts, the amount named might have been more profitably applied to the more perfect equipment of the road, which was loudly called for at that time, and is still called for by the rapid increase of freight seeking an outlet over it. But there *were* debts at the time, calling for and expecting payment, which from the 'lights before me,' should have been paid, but on which, *indulgence was asked and obtained*, in order that the road might make a *show* in the Treasury. This subject is respectfully submitted as a proper one for investigation.

3d. The undersigned submits as a proper subject for investigation, the numerous charges made in the tariff of rates on the State Road. Cotton and other produce on the East Tennessee river below Chattanooga, can be shipped to New Orleans at a less cost than to the Atlantic ports; but a greater expedition can be had over the State Road in reaching the Atlantic ports, and as the latter are preferred as markets, it was in the power of the State Road, by a judicious adjustment of its tariff, to secure for itself and the Atlantic markets, those immense freights which would otherwise seek New Orleans as an outlet. The roads from Atlanta to the Atlantic ports, being anxious to enter the lists for these freights, agreed with the former administration of the State Road, upon a tariff of freights which would enable them to compete with the lines of transportation ending at New Orleans.

• The State Road was to charge 20 cents per 100 lbs. from Chattanooga to Atlanta, 137 miles, and the Roads thence to the sea were to charge 40 cents per 100 lbs. as their compensation for a distance of, in and about, 300 miles. This agreement was for a time observed by the present administration of the State Road; but after a time the rates were raised to 30 cents per 100 lbs. (about \$1 50 per bale for cotton,) while the other parties to the agreement were still adhering to the common rates agreed upon. On the opening

of the Nashville & Chattanooga Road, freights accumulating at Nashville, also became a desirable object for competition; a reduction of rates to the Atlantic ports was found necessary to secure them. The present administration on the State Road agreed with its Eastern connections to compete for these freights; a tariff was agreed upon, and soon after the State Road receded from the tariff mutually established, though the other parties to the agreement still adhered. In a word the tariff of rates on the State Road seems to have been frequently changed according to whim. In August, 1854, a new tariff was established; on the burning of the Etowah bridge, it is alleged that material changes were made in the rates; on the completion of the bridge changes were again made, and on the first of January still another tariff was adopted. In this connection the undersigned would respectfully submit, that the relations between the Road and its patrons are much the same as those between a merchant and his customers. Confidence and friendly relations must be established: and this can only be done by pursuing a steady, consistent and just line of policy. It may be, and is, in the power of a Road to swell its receipts by running up its tariff, or by frequent changes to suit its temporary interests. But this is not the policy by which to inspire confidence, or to make permanent friends and patrons. Railroads are not omnipotent. They are amenable to those infallible laws which govern trade in general; and though it may be in their power, for a time, to flush their coffers by using to their own advantage solely the powers they enjoy, they do so at a heavy cost in the *long run*, and by consulting their own temporary interest alone, may make enemies of former friends, and drive from their support all but those who are *compelled* to give them their business. A great increase of revenue, therefore, may be made apparent for a year or two, during all which time those out of whom it has been made may have been contriving other plans for their accommodation which they will not fail to put in operation, so soon as they can make themselves independent of the power by which they have been oppressed. Public works are governed by the same commercial laws which affect individual and private enterprises. What is detrimental to the latter, is equally so to the former, and should be as studiously avoided in the one case as the other.

Railroads are identified with, and sustained by the country through which they run, by commercial enterprise at home and at a distance; the merchant's interest induces him to encourage trade, to draw it from remote points and to make business for the Road on which he depends for transportation. His capital and industry are employed as directly for the benefit of such Road, as though it belonged to, and the Road paid for such agency; a stagnation of trade,

or anything that affects our interest, is felt by all. The customers of a Road thus indirectly become its agents, and are inseparably identified with it, in their business interests.— General dissatisfaction on the part of a commercial interest, with the management of a Road on which it depends for transportation, constitutes, in the opinion of the minority, a charge of mismanagement, and demands investigation. The general policy of this Road towards its connections, affords abundant proof of mismanagement. Roads derive their revenue from two sources, viz : the local business of the line and tributaries, depending upon its position, and inseparable from it, this trade must pay a revenue to support the Road unless a portion of the necessary income can be derived from the products and supplies of remote sections of country or a 'through business,' and as the profits derived from the latter increase, the necessity for a high local tariff decreases, and further shows the identity of interests of Roads and their adjacent communities, and the propriety of encouraging and seconding the exertions of the merchant, in drawing trade from remote points, as long as such trade can be induced by low tariff, and there is profit to the Road in the transportation.

An examination of the tariff of freights on the State Road will show that higher rates obtain there than upon almost any other Southern Road. And just here the undersigned would remark, that if the high rates hitherto asked upon that Road have failed thus far to produce a revenue, how can it be expected to pay in the future when new lines are thrown into competition with it, and it will be of necessity compelled to lower its tariff? The only conceivable remedy for this is a radical change in its policy and management. The sudden inflation of rates on the State Road has only failed to result in serious damage (in the opinion of the minority) from the fact that its connections adhered to the rates agreed upon. Had they seen fit to adopt the *State* policy, the probabilities are that immense freights would have been diverted from the State Road, never perhaps to be recalled. This branch of the subject, it is respectfully submitted, calls for examination and inquiry.

4th. From 'all the lights before the minority,' it is deemed his duty unqualifiedly to condemn the act of the Superintendent in removing the switch on the State Road through which direct communication was had with the line-kilns of Mr. Howard. It is alleged that said switch was found to be dangerous to trains on the Road. If so, it is a little singular that it was allowed to remain unattended to, and unremoved from Feb., 1854, till Sept. 1855, a period of one year and nine months. A Superintendent who would thus tolerate so great a source of danger for so long a period, is not, in the opinion of the minority, a fit person to have charge of so

'great disinterest.' It is the opinion of the minority that said switch was removed for the sole and only reason that on the 26th of Sept., 1855, Mr. Howard confronted his Excellency the Governor in political debate at Kingston, and there dared to 'stand the lion in his den.' The switch, with a secure gate and lock, and its due compliment of cars, was tolerated for nearly two years, and gave no dissatisfaction. But the moment it was found that he for whose benefit it was made, had taken the opposite side in politics from that espoused by the Administration, and presumed to speak his mind in open debate, the switch was abolished.

Such arbitrary conduct strikes at all freedom of opinion, speech and suffrage, and calls, if not for condemnation, at least for INQUIRY. It is urged in the majority report that Mr. Howard can still sell his lime at a profit, though deprived of the switch, but this is not the question at issue. Either the establishment and keeping up of the switch was wrong, or its abolition was wrong. If the former, is it not strange that the error was not discovered until Mr. Howard kicked out of the harness; if the latter, the conclusion is too plain to be stated.

5th. The minority differs *toto cælo* from that portion of the majority report touching damages to the rolling stock during the past winter, and touching the number of cars put upon the road since the last report of the Superintendent. The undersigned is of opinion that 'prudence and care' *can* greatly diminish the damages consequent on those casualties to which all roads are liable, nor has any evidence been submitted to him in proof that such prudence and care has been exercised or that the damages from said casualties have been made as light as possible. Such may be the case, but there is nothing on record, known to the minority, in proof of it. Further, the undersigned is of opinion that the reported large damages accruing the past winter, have *not* been over-estimated or exaggerated by popular report; and that said damages are being repaired very slowly and at great expense.

In regard to the equipment of the Road with rolling-stock, it is the opinion of the minority that the present facilities for transportation are greatly inadequate to the requirements of the Road, and that notwithstanding the additions made since the last report of the Superintendent, a large increase of stock is now demanded to quiet "complaint," which complaint is not querulous, but well-grounded.

6th. The minority is of the opinion that a fine subject for investigation is afforded in the numerous fat offices which have been instituted on the State Road, and the large number of subordinates employed, over and above what are deemed necessary to the proper conduct of business on private Roads. For instance, there is on the State Road an Audit-

or receiving \$1,500 per annum salary, a Treasurer kept up at a cost of \$2,000 per annum; an Attorney costing \$2,000 per annum, all of which, under a proper superintendency, or rather management, could be provided at an annual cost not exceeding \$1,500. The number of subordinates, too, is, by the minority, considered unnecessarily large; and his reasons for coming to this conclusion are derived from examination into the economy of private Roads, which have found these "extras" unnecessary. The undersigned cannot see why a State enterprise, having no political motives to subserve, and striving solely to do a good *Rail Road business*, should need these supernumeraries. Here seems to be matter for inquiry.

7th. The minority is duly advised that a resolution has been introduced, inquiring into the Cowart appointment; and it may seem unnecessary to enter into that affair. But with "all the light before him," the undersigned feels it his duty to submit a few *facts* in reference to this matter.— If such an office had been created in accordance with law, it was still not wise, because it was a bad economical measure. The office, as shown by its *practical workings*, has not diminished litigation, not obviated the necessity for employing the usual compliment of Attorney's for the defence of the Road's interest, neither has it indemnified the poor wood-chopper for his loss in furnishing wood at 90 cents a cord, which was contracted for by the Road, at \$1.50 the cord.— It is the opinion of the minority that there is no necessity for such an office, that it was created in defiance of law, and by a usurpation of power, for the Legislature of 1843-4, [vide page 1000 of its Journals.] emphatically refused to "*feather any such nest.*" It is not believed by the undersigned that the present incumbent of said nest, would demure to, or deny the position taken in this paragraph.

While the minority does not *demand* investigation of this pleasing *quid pro quo* appointment, it is respectfully suggested that it would be an *interesting* and *amusing* subject for inquiry; and that the developments consequent thereon, would afford great merriment to the State, confessedly a desirable object, for a State does well to amuse, as well as provender its subjects.

• But the minority is growing weary with the subject and does not desire to fatigue your honorable body, though there are still many other subjects for inquiry. In conclusion it recommends the appointment of an efficient, unfastidious and competent committee, *gifted* with power to *probe to the bone*; it recommends as a measure of vital importance and absolute necessity, the appointment of a standing committee to make semi-annual reports on State Road affairs; said committee to be selected from both political parties. And lastly it calls for special *attention* to the recommendation of his Ex-

cellency the Governor, in his late message, enjoining upon the Legislature to *take the State Road out of the hands of government*. What this means the minority is unable to say, and would like to know. If, in the last resort it should be considered as synonymous with the petition "lead us not into temptation," the minority are of opinion that the prayer should be answered.

All of which is respectfully submitted, but with the emphatic disclaimer of any desire to reflect upon the majority or to do more than differ with them radically in opinion—which difference the minority has felt impelled to, by considerations of duty, and his honest convictions.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

JOHN S. HILL.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the House to be entitled an act to incorporate the Warrenton and Macon Railroad Company, and confer certain powers and privileges upon the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change and regulate the Inferior Courts of this State. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the 6th section of the 9th division of the Penal Code of Georgia, so as more effectually to prevent duelling, and to prescribe the duties of Judges of the Superior Courts in certain cases. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

On motion of Mr. Hudson of Harris, the following resolution was taken up, read and agreed to, viz:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Georgia. That his Excellency the Governor be and he is hereby requested to forward to the Military Bureau at Washington City, the pay roll, muster roll, and other evidences of services in relation to the militia called out to defend the Western Border of this State in the year A. D. 1836, under the command of Maj. Howard and others.

The House went into committee of the whole, (Mr. Hudson of Harris in the Chair) on the bill for the relief of Jackson Tyner. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The Senate having disagreed to the House amendment to the bill to submit the question of removal of the Court-house of Macon county to the people thereof, Mr. Felton moved to take it up for the purpose of receding from said amendment.

The motion prevailed, and the House receded therefrom.

The House adjourned until 7 o'clock, P. M.

SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The following bill of the House was read the second time and committed for the third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act more effectually to compel the payment of the legal tax heretofore imposed on agencies of foreign Banks.

The following bills of the Senate were read the first time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to further regulate the decisions and practice of the Supreme Court.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Laurens Lodge No. 75 of Free and Accepted Masons of Laurens county.

A bill to be entitled an act declaring who shall be competent witnesses in the Courts of law and equity in this State, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to allow executors, administrators and gurdians resident in other States or Territories, to control stocks and money in this State, and to empower trustees to dispose of stocks.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter the liability of certain persons acting in a fiduciary character.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act to require the Receivers of Tax Returns in the several counties of this State to ascertain the number of children in their respective counties between the age of eight and sixteen, and for other purposes herein named, approved Febr'y 18, 1854, and to prescribe the mode in which the returns of children entitled to the benefit of the poor school fund shall hereafter be made in the several counties in this State.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Commercial Bank of Brunswick.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and committed for a third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Georgia and Florida Railroad Company to construct a branch road. •

A bill to be entitled an act to legalize certain processes in Monroe county.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Cartersville Lodge and Oak Bowery Lodge No. 81 of Free and Accepted Masons.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Summer-ville Male and Female Academies, and for other purposes therein specified.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the line of certain counties therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to compel owners of slaves on plantations or farms in Effingham county to keep a white man on said plantation or farm.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to appoint Commissioners of Pilotage for the navigable waters of the port of Darien in the county of McIntosh. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Fields in the Chair) on the bill of the House to be entitled an act to appropriate money to open, build and construct a macadamized or turnpike road from the North Carolina State line through the county of Fannin by the way of Morganton in said county to the town of Ellijay in the county of Gilmer, &c. The committee arose and through their chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment.—The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to exempt the active members of the Young America Fire Company from Jury and Militia duty. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act for the relief of persons legally divorced from the bonds of matrimony in this State. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the amendments of the Senate to the following bills of the House, and concurred therein, viz:

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Garnet Hill Mining Company of Georgia; and

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Martha W. Clower of the county of Clark, and Harriet T. Danforth of the county of Wilkes.

The House refused to recede from their amendments to the following bills of the Senate, viz:

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit the payment of storage on cotton in the city of Columbus by farmers after selling from their wagons; and

A bill to be entitled an act to add lots of land numbers 117 and 118 in the 6th dist. of Irwin county to the county of Worth, and to change the lines between certain other counties.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to legalize and make valid two charters granted by the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Columbus for Plank Roads in said city. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to prohibit any person

or persons from driving cattle on the Lookout Mountain in the counties of Walker, Catoosa and Dade, in certain months of the year. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to exempt Daniel and Lucinda, his wife, the property of Harrison W. Riley nominal slaves, from the tax now imposed by law on nominal slaves. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act explanatory of the second section of an act entitled an act to alter and amend an act for the more effectually securing the probate of wills, &c., approved Dec. 10th, 1812. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to allow Andrew J. Wooten of the county of Telfair, to peddle and vend goods in the counties of Telfair, Pulaski, Montgomery, Ware, Appling, Coffee, Irwin, Lowndes and Clinch, free of license, and other persons therein named.

The same was amended by striking out the counties of Ware and Clinch.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act in relation to the poor school fund in certain counties therein named. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act for the relief of teachers of poor children in the county of Decatur. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to require Ordinaries of this State to keep a book in which they shall record all letters testamentary, letters of administration and letters of guardianship, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to prevent and make penal the obstruction of any of the public roads of Troup county by persons engaged in horse-racing. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to compensate petit jurors in the county of Marion.

The same was indefinitely postponed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to compensate grand and petit jurors of the county of Pickens and to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court to levy an extra tax for that purpose, and to extend the provisions of this act to other counties therein named. The report was agreed to.— The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate Pierce Female College, and for other purposes. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to establish and organize a Court in the city of Columbus, and to define its jurisdiction. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new Judicial Circuit out of the counties of Heard, Coweta, Campbell, Carroll, Haralson, Polk and Floyd, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and on the question of its passage Mr. Terhune required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 63, nays 16.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Edenfield,	Johnson of Cass,
Bird,	Fields,	Johnson of Elbert,
Boyd,	Gordon,	Julian,
Boykin of Troup,	Graham,	Kilgore,
Brown of Burke,	Graves,	Lane,
Brown of Camden,	Hale,	Lawton,
Browning,	Harris of Fulton,	Lewis of Greene,
Burnett,	Harris of Meriwe'r,	Lewis of Hancock,
Butts,	Harrison,	McClary,
Caldwell of Walker,	Headen,	M'Connel of Catoosa
Carlton,	Hill,	McConnel of Gord'n
Connally,	Hilliard,	McLenan,
Cooper,	Hoyle,	Myers,
Cottle,	Hudson of Harris,	Owen,
Crook,	Hughez,	Peterson,
Davis of Polk,	Irvin,	Phillips,
Dozier,	Johnson of Carroll,	Porter,

Pruitt,	Smith of Clinch,	Ward,
Reid,	Smith of Tattnall,	Warthen,
Rozier,	Smith of Union,	Williams,
Sinquefield,	Tatom,	Wood,
Slocumb,	Thornton,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Battle,	Murphy,	Smith of Hancock,
Cannon,	Phinizy,	Spinks,
Felton,	Rumph,	Terhune,
Hudson of Gwinnett	Simmons,	Tharpe,
Maynor,	Solomon,	Whitworth,
Montgomery.	Smith of Bryan,	

So the bill was passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate the Woodland Female College, located in the town of Carrollton, Georgia, and to confer upon said corporation certain powers therein named. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act to make permanent the county line between the counties of Dooly and Worth, and also between the counties of Irwin and Dooly. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act for the relief of Jesse J. Connel of Dooly county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to amend the act incorporating the town of Oxford, in the county of Newton, and for other purposes therein mentioned. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to define and extend the powers of the Union Society of the city of Savannah. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to limit the time of service of Grand and Petit Jurors in the City Court of Savannah, and to exempt the Keepers of Laurel Grove Cemetery and the Catholic Cemetery near the city of Savannah from service on Juries of the Superior Court and the City Court of Savannah. The same was amended.

The report was agreed to as amended. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to alter and amend the 12th section of the 2d article of the Constitution of this State, so as to give the election of Secretary of State, Treasurer and Surveyor General to the people.

The same was indefinitely postponed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to compensate Grand and Petit Jurors in the county of Jefferson, and for other purposes. The same was indefinitely postponed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize Dr. J. J. M. Goss to practice medicine on the eclectic system as taught in Cincinnati. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to give endorsers the control of fines in all cases in which they may have paid them off against the principal or any prior endorser. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to prescribe the mode of taxing costs in the Supreme Court of this State. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate Madison Town Hall Company. The report was agreed to.—The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize Isaac C. Loller to build and keep a mill-dam across the Conasauga river on his own land. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to expedite suits at law and equity in certain cases, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to permit practicing Attorneys to hold the office and discharge the duties of Justices of the Peace in this State. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate the Elberton Female Collegiate Institute, located at Elberton, and to amend the act incorporating the Snake Creek Academy in Gordon county, and for other purposes therein named.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to add the present residence of the Rev. H. T. Bussey to the county of Telfair. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to elect the Attorney General of the Middle Circuit, and Solicitors General of the respective Judicial Circuits of the State, by the people, and for other purposes therein named. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate Cotton Hill Male and Female Seminary in the village of Cotton Hill, Clay county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to amend the laws now of force in relation to idiots, lunatics and insane persons, and their estates, and for other purposes. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to add an additional section to the tenth division of the Penal Code of the State of Georgia. The same was indefinitely postponed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize the county treasurers of certain counties therein named, to pay the grand and petit jurors of said counties. The same was indefinitely postponed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize Sheriffs to take new bail where the principal has been surrendered, in certain cases, and to make valid certain bail bonds taken heretofore. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to provide for establishing lost or destroyed papers, and suing upon the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Phillips offered the following resolution, which on motion was taken up, read and agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That Mr. Caldwell, the member from Pike, who is absent on account of sickness, be allowed his per diem and mileage, and that Mr. Kirkpatrick, the member from

Spalding, be authorized to draw and receipt for the same.

The House then adjourned until 9½ o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Sapp moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the rejection of the bill for the relief of Peter Mason. The motion was lost.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the rejection of the bill to be entitled an act to carry into effect the 13th section of the 14th article of the Constitution of the State of Georgia.

Upon this proposition, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 64, nays 40.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs :

Barton,	Headen,	Montgomery,
Bartlett,	Henderson,	Moore,
Battle,	Hill,	Paris,
Boyd,	Hoyle,	Phillips,
Bradford,	Hudson of Harris,	Porter,
Brantley,	Irvin,	Powell,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Carroll,	Reid,
Burnett,	Johnson of Cass,	Sapp,
Butts,	Jones of Lowndes,	Sinquefield,
Caldwell of Walker,	Jones of Warren,	Solomou,
Cannon,	Kilgore,	Smith of Bryan,
Carlton,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Clinch,
Cottle,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Hancock,
Crook,	Lane,	Tatom,
Dawson,	Lawton,	Taylor,
Durder.	Lewis of Greene,	Thornton,
Felton,	Lewis of Hancock,	Wood,
Gordon,	McClary,	Ward,
Graves,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Warthen,
Harris of Dougherty,	McLenan,	Wiggins,
Harris of Fulton,	Milledge,	Wynn.
Harris of Meriwe'r		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs :

Avery,	Calloway,	Faulk,
Barrett,	Connally,	Fields,
Bird,	Cooper,	Graham,
Boykin of Scriven,	Cornwell,	Griffeth,
Brown of Burke,	Davis of Bibb,	Harrison,
Brown of Camden,	Davis of Polk,	Hilliard,
Browning,	Dozier,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,

Johnson of Elbert,	Peterson,	Slocumb,
Julian,	Phinizy,	Smith of Tattnall.
Kitchens,	Pruitt,	Spinks,
Maynor,	Roberts,	Terhuue,
McConnel of Gord'n	Rozier,	Thompson.
Murphy,	Rumph,	Watts,
Myers,	Simmons,	Whitworth.
Owen,		

So the motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, so much of the Journal of yesterday was reconsidered as relates to the rejection of the bill to incorporate the Northeastern Railroad Company.

On motion of Mr. Harris of Fulton, so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the rejection of the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of persons legally divorced from the bonds of matrimony in this State was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. Crook, so much of said Journals as relates to the passage of the bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new Judicial Circuit out of the counties of Heard, Coweta, Campbell, Carroll, Haralson, Polk and Floyd, and for other purposes, was reconsidered.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Ward in the Chair,) on the bill to be entitled an act to remove the knoll in the Savannah river, and for other purposes. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment.

Mr. Phillips offered the following proviso, which was received, viz:

Provided that no part of this appropriation shall be drawn until his Excellency the Governor shall be satisfied that the authorities of the city of Savannah have raised and placed at the disposal of the proper authorities fifteen thousand dollars for the same purpose.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and upon the question of its passage, Mr. Lawton required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 47, nays 53.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Calloway,	Hudson of Harris,
Barton,	Cottle,	Hughes,
Bartlett,	Crook,	Irvin,
Boyd,	Davis of Bibb,	Johnson of Carroll,
Boykin of Scriven,	Dawson,	Johnson of Cass,
Boykin of Troup,	Dozier,	Johnson of Elbert,
Bradford,	Fields,	Jones of Lowndes,
Brown of Camden,	Graves,	Kitchens,
Brown of Talbot,	Harris of Dougherty	Lawton,
Butts,	Hill,	Lewis of Hancock,

McClary,	Porter,	Taylor,
M'Connell of Catoosa,	Reid,	Tharpe,
Milledge,	Rozier,	Thornton,
Moore,	Smith of Bryan,	Wood,
Paris,	Smith of Clinch,	Williams.
Phillips,	Smith of Tattnall,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Griffeth,	Peterson,
Battle,	Harris of Fulton,	Phinizy,
Bird,	Harrison,	Pruitt,
Brantley,	Headen,	Richards,
Brown of Burke,	Hilliard,	Roberts,
Browning,	Hoyle,	Rumph,
Burnett,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Sapp,
Caldwell of Walker,	Jones of Warren,	Simmons,
Cannon,	Kilgore,	Slocumb,
Carlton,	King of Fayette,	Solomon,
Counally,	Kirkpatrick,	Spinks,
Cooper,	Lane,	Tatem,
Cornwell,	Maynor,	Terhune,
Daniel,	M'Connell of Gord'n,	Thompson,
Davis of Polk,	McLenan,	Ward,
Faulk,	Murphy,	Watts,
Gordon,	Myers,	Whitworth,
Graham,	Owen,	

So the bill was lost.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to incorporate a railroad company to be called the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad Company, and for other purposes therein named.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor, through Mr. deGraffenried, his Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—I am instructed to inform the House of Representatives that the following acts have been approved and signed by the Governor :

An act to appropriate one hundred dollars to be refunded to Samuel Walker of Fulton county, who paid that amount over and above his lawful tax to the State in 1854, and for other purposes therein named.

An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the village of Ringgold in Walker (now Catoosa) county, approved December 27th, 1847, to define the boundary of said incorporation, and to confer certain powers upon the Commissioners of said village.

An act to incorporate the Hightower Mining Company of Georgia.

An act for the relief of Mary W. Gresham, formerly Mary W. Triplett of Wilkes county.

An act to change the lines between the counties of Randolph and Calhoun, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An act to alter and change the name of the county of Kinchafoonee, and for other purposes therein specified.

An act for the relief of Spencer Caldwell of the county of Clay.

An act to legalize the election of Henry R. Cody, of the county of Warren, as Ordinary of said county, and to authorize a commission to issue to him and for other purposes.

An act for the relief of John H. Kelly of Hancock county.

An act for the relief of Robert McIntire of the county of Chatham.

An act to incorporate the town of Hillsboro in the county of Floyd, and for other purposes.

An act to alter and change the second section of an act incorporating the Dalton and Gadsden Railroad Company.

An act to so change the corporation lines of the city of Rome as to exclude the lands of Lewis D. Burwell now in said city.

An act to repeal an act to amend the patrol laws of this State, approved Feb. 20th, 1854, so far as relates to the county of Liberty.

An act to lay out and organize a new county out of the counties of Thomas and Lowndes, and for other purposes.

An act to lay off and organize a new county out of the counties of Lowndes, Irwin and Coffee, to be called Berrien county, to attach the same to the Southern Judicial Circuit, to the first Congressional District, and to the Second Brigade and Sixth Division, Georgia Militia.

An act to compensate Almon Guinn for the apprehension and delivery of William Mitchell, a fugitive from justice, and to appropriate money for the same.

An act to alter and amend an act to alter and amend the several Judiciary acts now of force in this State, so far as relates to Justices' Courts, approved December the 14th, 1811, so as to allow and authorize the same person to hold the two offices of the Clerk of the Inferior Court and Justice of the Peace at the same time in the county of Lumpkin.

An act to endow the Southern Botanical Medical College at Macon, Georgia.

An act to incorporate the Greenville Masonic Female Institute, located in Greenville, Georgia, and to confer powers on the same.

An act to incorporate the town of Hartwell in the county of Hart, and for other purposes therein named.

An act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Polk to levy an extra tax for county purposes, upon recommendation of the Grand Jury of said county.

An act to provide for the survey of the Okefenokee Swamp, and for other purposes.

An act to confirm and ratify the action of the Superior Court of Muscogee county in granting charters to the Muscogee building and Loan Association and the Columbus Building and Loan Association, and to legalize the acts of said Associations.

An act for the relief of Wilson L. Owin of Upson county.

An act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Baker and Early.

An act to compensate Dr Bedford J. Head for medical services rendered in the city of Oglethorpe during the prevalence of small pox in said city.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for educational purposes, and the substitute offered therefor by the Committee on this subject, which is a bill to be entitled an act for the promotion of education.

Various amendments were offered and received to the substitute, when the same as amended was agreed to as the report of the committee. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage Mr. Montgomery required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 104, nays 7

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Davis of Polk,	Johnson of Cass,
Barrett,	Dawson,	Johnson of Elbert,
Barton,	Dozier,	Jones of Warren,
Bartlett,	Durden,	Julian,
Battle,	Faulk,	Kilgore,
Bird,	Felton,	King of Fayette,
Boyd,	Fields,	Kirkpatrick,
Boykin of Scriven,	Gordon,	Kitchens,
Boykin of Troup,	Graham,	Lane,
Bradford,	Graves,	Lawton,
Brantley,	Griffeth,	Lewis of Greene,
Brown of Burke,	Harris of Dougherty,	Lewis of Hancock,
Brown of Talbot,	Harris of Fulton,	Maynor,
Browning,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	McClary,
Barnett,	Harrison,	M'Connel of Catoosa,
Butts,	Headen,	M'Connel of Gord'n,
Caldwell of Walker,	Henderson,	McLenan,
Cannon,	Hill,	Milledge,
Carlton,	Hilliard,	Moore,
Connally,	Hoyle,	Murphy,
Cooper,	Hudson of Harris,	Myers,
Cottle,	Hughes,	Owen,
Crook,	Irvin,	Paris,
Daniel,	Johnson of Carroll,	Peterson,

Phillips,	Simmons,	Terhune,
Pickett,	Sinquefield,	Tharpe,
Porter,	Slocumb,	Thompson,
Powell,	Solomon,	Thornton,
Pruitt,	Smith of Bryan,	Wood,
Reid,	Smith of Clinch,	Ward,
Richards,	Smith of Hancock,	Watts,
Roberts,	Smith of Tattnall,	Whitworth.
Rozier,	Smith of Union,	Wiggins,
Rumph,	Tatom,	Williams.
Sapp,	Taylor,	Wyun,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.
Brown of Camden, Hudson of Gwin'tt Phinizy,
Coruwell, Montgomery, Spinks,

So the bill was passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Northeastern Railroad Company, the same being an amended and reconsidered bill of the Senate.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has concurred in the amendments of the House of Representatives to the following bills of the Senate, to-wit :

A bill to authorize John W. Grantham to vend goods in certain counties therein named without license.

A bill to incorporate a bank in the town of Ringgold to be called the Northwestern Bank of Georgia.

A bill for the relief of Wm. T. Shannon, Reuben J. Dawson and Daniel Pardieu, securities of George P. Nickelson, late Tax Collector of Greene county, and for other purposes herein specified.

A bill to protect the citizens of the counties of Worth, Richmond, Clinch, Berrien and Bryan from the injurious consequences of camp-hunting by non-residents.

A bill for the relief of John J. Morris and John C. Morris of the county of Clay, and for the relief of John McKinna of Richmond county.

A bill to incorporate the Mount Vernon Methodist Camp Ground in Whitfield county and the Waresboro Camp Ground in the county of Ware, and to appoint Trustees for the same, and for other purposes.

A bill for the relief of James Henry Fannin of the county of Troup, a minor in the 21st year of his age.

A bill to give the election of County Treasurer of the counties of Taylor, Chattooga, Chatahoochee, Calhoun,

Spalding, Rabun, Walker, Polk, Worth, Fannin, Campbell and Clinch, to the legal voters of said counties.

A bill to authorize Uriah Evans of Twiggs county to peddle in the county of Twiggs, and others therein mentioned without license.

A bill to amend the several acts of the General Assembly of the State of Georgia relating to the Savannah and Albany Railroad Company and the Savannah, Albany and Gulf Railroad Company, approved respectively on the 25th day of December, 1847, the 20th day of November, 1851, and the 20th February, 1854, and to authorize the Southern Branch of said Savannah, Albany and Gulf Railroad Company to cross the line of the Brunswick and Florida Railroad Company.

A bill to provide for the preservation of the public records.

A bill to extend the jurisdiction of magistrates within the corporate limits of the city of Augusta to fifty dollars.

A bill to repeal the first section of an act entitled an act to grant exemption to cavalry corps, &c., approved January 22d, 1852, so far as relates to the county of Gordon.

A bill to reduce the bonds of the Sheriffs of the county of Coffee to the sum of eight thousand dollars.

A bill to define the liabilities of the husband for the debts of the wife, and to define the liabilities of property received through the wife for the debts of the husband existing at the time of marriage.

The Senate has also passed the following bills of the House of Representatives with amendments, in which they ask the concurrence of the House, to-wit :

A bill to amend the road laws of this State, so far as relates to the county of Glynn.

A bill to amend the road laws of this State, so far as relates to the county of Coffee.

A bill to add a part of originally Union county to the county of Gilmer, and to change the lines between the counties of Spalding and Pike, and to add a part of the county of Spalding [to the county of Pike.]

A bill to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Gwinnett to levy an extra county tax to pay for the erection of a new court-house in said county.

The Senate adheres to its disagreement to the amendment of the House of Representatives to the following bill of the Senate, to-wit :

A bill to change the residence of Frederick Merit, sen., from the county of Irwin, and change several other county lines therein named.

The Senate has also passed the following bills of the House of Representatives, to-wit :

A bill to incorporate the United Riflemen of the city of Columbus, and to extend them certain privileges.

A bill to prevent any person from throwing dead stock or other dead carcasses in Cotucay or Chattahoochee rivers, or timber that would be likely to create drifts, &c.

A bill to authorize the Judges of the Inferior Courts of the counties of Liberty and Bryan to appoint a competent Surveyor from their respective counties to properly run out and clearly define the dividing line between said counties.

A bill to provide for a correct registry of deaths occurring in the city of Savannah and of interments in said city and its vicinity, and for other purposes.

A bill to authorize the Inferior Court of the county of Laurens to levy an extra tax for pauper purposes.

A bill to alter an act entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to extend the civil jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace in the city of Savannah, and for other purposes, assented to 17th February, 1854.

A bill to incorporate the Ladies' German Benevolent Society of Savannah.

A bill to extend the jurisdiction of magistrates' courts within the corporate limits of the city of Augusta to fifty dollars.

A bill to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Wayne, on the recommendation of the Grand Jury of said county, to levy an extra tax to be applied to common school purposes, to appoint Commissioners, and for other purposes therein specified.

A bill to authorize the building, opening and constructing a railroad from some point in the county of Union or in the county of Fannin, which may be agreed upon by the Directors of said railroad, or a majority of them hereinafter mentioned, running up the valley of Little Hightower river in the county of Union, to connect with the Northeastern Railroad (now contemplated) in the county of Rabun or Habersham, or with some other railroad or contemplated railroad, and to grant corporate powers and privileges to the same.

A bill to amend the rent laws of this State.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Milledge in the Chair,) on the bill to be entitled an act to carry into effect the 13th section of the 4th article of the Constitution of the State of Georgia.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock offered as a substitute therefor a bill to be entitled an act to carry into effect the 13th section of the 4th article of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, to promote the arts and sciences, and to provide for the education of teachers at the University, and for other purposes.

Certain amendments were offered and received to the same, when it was adopted and received in lieu of the original. The committee then arose and through their Chairman reported the substitute back to the House with amend-

nents. The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and upon the question of its passage, Mr. Whitworth required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 59, nays 48.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barton,	Harris of Fulton,	Paris,
Bartlett,	Harris of Meriwe'r	Peterson,
Battle,	Hill,	Phillips,
Boykin of Troup,	Hudson of Harris,	Pickett,
Bradford,	Hughes,	Porter,
Brantley,	Irvin,	Powell,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Carroll,	Richards,
Browning,	Johnson of Cass,	Sapp,
Burnett,	Johnson of Elbert,	Sinquefield,
Butts,	Jones of Lowndes,	Solomon,
Caldwell of Walker,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Brvan,
Carlton,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Hancock,
Cottle,	Lane,	Tatom,
Crook,	Lawton,	Thornton,
Dawson,	Lewis of Greene,	Wood,
Dozier,	Lewis of Hancock,	Ward,
Durden,	McClary,	Warthen,
Felton,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Wiggins,
Gordon,	Milledge,	Williams,
Graves,	Moore,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Griffeth,	Phinizy,
Barrett,	Harrison,	Pruitt,
Bird,	Henderson,	Reid,
Boyd,	Hilliard,	Roberts
Boykin of Scriven,	Hoyle,	Rozier,
Brown of Burke,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Rumph,
Brown of Camden,	Jones of Warren,	Simmons,
Calloway,	Julian,	Slocumb,
Cannon,	Kilgore,	Smith of Clinch
Connally,	Kitchens,	Smith of Tattnall,
Cooper,	Maynor,	Spinks,
Daniel,	McConn. of Gord'n	Terhune,
Davis of Polk,	Montgomery,	Tharpe,
Faulk,	Murphy,	Thompson,
Fields,	Myers,	Whitworth,
Graham,	Owen,	Wynn.

So the bill was passed.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, the same was ordered to the Senate without delay.

The House then adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and took up the report of the committee on the bill of the House more effectually to compel the payment of the legal tax heretofore imposed on agencies of foreign Banks. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Lawton in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John E. Sewell of Fulton county. After some time spent therein, the committee arose and through their Chairman reported the same back to the House without amendment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to declare and define the jurisdiction of Courts of Ordinary in this State, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of William G. Booth and Phillip H. Delane, teachers of poor children of the county of Marion, for the year 1851. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Jacob Lamb of the county of Muscogee. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of James O. Hunt.—The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole (Mr. Terhune in the Chair) on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Augustus C. Jones.

The same was amended, on motion of Mr. Thornton, by striking out the original sum, and inserting in lieu thereof the sum of sixty-two dollars and eighty-two cents.

The committee then reported the same back as amended. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize Levi Hollingsworth to construct a mill-dam across the Chattahoochee river at his mill in said county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to add certain lots of land herein named in the county of Floyd to the county of Polk. The

report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to cause the several banks now in operation, or that may be hereafter in operation in this State, to pay the same per centum of tax for county purposes on their capital stock, real estate and other property, as individuals pay on their taxable property.

The following substitute was offered by the Committee on Banks,, and adopted, viz:

A bill to be entitled an act to compel the various Banks and their agencies, and foreign Bank agencies, to pay a county tax. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, one hundred and sixty copies of the majority report of the Committee appointed to examine and report the condition and management of the Western and Atlantic Railroad, were ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize and require the Ordinary of Marion county to pay Littleton Morgan a certain sum of money for teaching poor children in said county in the year 1852. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 65, nays 27.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Felton,	Myers,
Barrett,	Fields,	Owen,
Barton,	Gordon,	Paris,
Battle,	Graham,	Phillips,
Bird,	Griffeth,	Phinizy,
Boykin of Troup,	Harrison,	Pickett,
Brantley,	Headen,	Porter,
Brown of Burke,	Hill,	Powell,
Butts,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Pruitt,
Caldwell of Walker,	Hudson of Harris,	Richards,
Cannon,	Johnson of Cass,	Roberts,
Connally,	Johnson of Elbert,	Rozier,
Causey,	Jones of Lowndes,	Rumph,
Cooper,	Julian,	Simmons,
Cornwell,	Kitchens,	Slocumb,
Crook,	Lewis of Greene,	Solomon,
Daniel,	Maynor,	Smith of Tattnall,
Davis of Bibb,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Smith of Union,
Davis of Polk,	Milledge,	Spinks,
Dawson,	Montgomery,	Terhune,
Faulk,	Murphy,	Wood,

Ward,	Whitworth,	Wynn.
Watts,	Wiggins,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Boyd,	Graves,	M'Connell of Catoosa
Boykin of Scriven,	Harris of Dougherty	McLean,
Bradford,	Hilliard,	Peterson,
Brown of Camden,	Ivin,	Reid,
Browning,	Johnson of Carroll,	Smith of Clinch,
Burnett,	Kilgore,	Smith of Hancock,
Calloway,	Kirkpatrick,	Thompson,
Cottle,	Lawton,	Thornton.
Dozier,	McClary,	Warthen
Durden,		

So the bill was passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Banks of this State, or the agencies of any Bank located in this State, to receive and pay for the half of bills when presented to them. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to lay out and construct a Turnpike road of suitable width and grade from the Union county line at or near where the road now crosses said line, above the present residence of Alfred Parks, and to intersect the Rabun Turnpike road at or near John Keener's, or the town of Cloyton in Rabun county, the proprietors of which may dispose of capital stock of five thousand dollars divided into shares of twenty-five dollars each. The same was offered by Mr. Cannon as a substitute for a bill for the same purpose, and adopted. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to organize and charter a company under the name and style of the Western and Atlantic Railroad Company, to transfer the Western and Atlantic Railroad to said Company, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Terhune moved that the same be laid on the table for the balance of the session.

Upon this proposition, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded, and are yeas 61, nays 42.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Caldwell of Walker,	Connally,
Bird,	Brown of Burke,	Cooper,
Boyd,	Brown of Camden,	Crook,
Boykin of Scriven,	Browning,	Daniel,
Bradford	Calloway,	Davis of Polk,
Brantley,	Cannon,	Faulk,

Fields,	Lawton,	Rozier,
Graham,	Lewis of Hancock,	Simmons,
Graves,	Maynor,	Slocumb,
Hale,	McClary,	Solomon,
Harris of Dougherty,	McConnel of Gord'n	Smith of Clinch,
Harris of Fulton,	McLean,	Smith of Union,
Harrison,	Milledge,	Spinks,
Headen,	Myers,	Taylor,
Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Phillips,	Terhune,
Hughes,	Phinzy,	Wood,
Johnson of Elbert,	Pickett,	Ward,
Jones of Lowndes,	Powell,	Watts,
Julian,	Reid,	Whitworth,
Kilgore,	Richards,	Wynn.
Kitchens,	Roberts,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barton,	Gordon,	Murphy,
Bartlett,	Griffeth,	Owen,
Battle,	Henderson,	Paris,
Boykin of Troup,	Hill,	Peterson,
Brown of Talbot,	Hilliard,	Porter,
Burnett,	Hudson of Harris,	Pruitt,
Butts,	Irvin,	Rumph,
Carlton,	Johnson of Carrell,	Sapp,
Causey,	Johnson of Cass,	Smith of Bryan,
Cornwell,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Hancock,
Davis of Bibb,	Lane,	Smith of Tattnall,
Dawson,	Lewis of Greene,	Tatom,
Dozier,	M'Connel of Catoosa,	Thornton,
Durden,	McLenan,	Wiggins,
Felton,	Montgomery,	

So the motion prevailed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank in the town of Bainbridge, to be called the Southern Bank of Georgia. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a company to be called the Western and Atlantic Railroad Company, and to lease to said company the Western and Atlantic Railroad.

The same was on motion indefinitely postponed.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor, by Mr. deGraffieried, his Secretary, on yesterday, and to-day taken up and read:

Mr. Speaker:—I am directed by the Governor to transmit to this branch of the General Assembly a communication in writing.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
 MILLEDGEVILLE, GEO., Feb. 26th, 1856. }

To the Senate and House of Representatives :

The 4th section of an act passed by the present General Assembly, approved February 2d, 1856, to incorporate the Georgia Military Institute, and to appropriate money for the same, provides that the Governor shall take bond and security of the Superintendent of the Institute, in the sum of thirty thousand dollars, with not less than five good securities, conditioned for the faithful payment of the fund aforesaid, upon the happening of a certain contingency specified in said bill, before drawing the sum of money appropriated.

In a full interview with the superintendent, I became convinced that the stringency of this regulation is such, that it amounts to a total denial of the amount appropriated, and consequently of all the benefits intended to be conferred upon the Institute.

I respectfully suggest to the Legislature the propriety of authorizing the Executive so to construe the act, and especially the 4th section thereof, as to dispense with the necessity of requiring such a bond. It is believed that the Legislature, by the appropriation, intended substantial benefit to this infant but promising Institute, and that upon reflection they will relieve it from such conditions as will render it unavailable.

I have no doubt that the fund is most amply guarded without the requirement of the 4th section.

1. There is scarcely any probability, I may say a *possibility*, of the happening of the contingency against which it is intended to provide.

2. Should the contingency ever arise, the State is amply indemnified in the value of the property of the Institute, by the paramount statutory lien which is created by the act itself. The property is now worth \$25,000, and certainly the expenditure of that additional amount, appropriated by the act under consideration, will increase its permanent value to at least \$50,000. In view of these considerations, it is respectfully submitted, that by dispensing with the bond required by the 4th section, you will most effectually give the aid to the Georgia Military Institute which the appropriation contemplates.

HERSCHEL V. JOHNSON.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor, through Mr. deGraffenried, his Secretary:

Mr. Speaker—I am instructed to inform the House of Representatives that the following acts have been approved and signed by the Governor:

An act to incorporate the Rome Volunteers; also, the Washington Artillery, a volunteer military corps in the city of Augusta, and to grant certain immunities and privileges to the members of the same.

An act to allow further time to the Sheriffs and their Deputies for the service of writs, process, declarations and bills in equity.

An act to appropriate money for the completion of the State Lunatic Asylum.

An act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Courts of the several counties of this State, upon the recommendation of the Grand Juries thereof, to assess and collect a tax for the payment of the Grand and Petit Jurors, or Grand or Petit Jurors, and at their pleasure to discontinue, and again reassess the same, upon said recommendation.

An act to repeal the 3d section of an act entitled an act to make permanent the site of the public buildings in the county of Emanuel at the town of Swainsboro, and to incorporate and appoint Commissioners for the same, and to change the name of Swainsboro to that of Paris, approved Feb. 18, 1854.

An act to incorporate Ocmulgee Mills.

An act to compensate Grand and Petit Jurors in the county of Decatur.

An act to grant to certain persons therein named the right to build a bridge across the Chattahoochee river, on certain conditions therein mentioned.

An act for the relief of Caleb J. Moncrief and Young J. Browning, citizens of the county of Meriwether.

An act to alter and change the line dividing the counties of Camden and Charlton; also, to change the line dividing the counties of Macon and Taylor, and for other purposes.

An act for the relief of Sarah H. Lamar and Doctor William R. Holmes.

An act to incorporate the Nickojack Railroad and Mining Company.

An act to incorporate a railroad company to be called the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad Company, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to compensate the Grand Jurors of Baker county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the resolution from the Senate relative to the examination of the books in the various offices of the Capitol, in order to ascertain what entries therein are fraudulent, and to provide for the sale of ungranted lands, &c. The same was concurred in, and ordered to be transmitted to the Senate without delay.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to confer certain privileges upon James J. Boyett of the county of Randolph, and to make lawful his acts, and to give him authority to transact business as though he were of full age. The report was

agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act for the relief of **Barnard Dugan** of the county of **Fulton**. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the **Georgia Air-Line Railroad Company**, and to confer on them certain privileges and powers therein mentioned. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate a bank in the town of **Greenesboro'** to be called the **Bank of Greenerboro'**. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to change the lines of certain counties therein mentioned. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize **William Stroud**, Administrator de bonis non upon the estate of **William H. Parker**, late of **Clark county**, deceased, to settle with and pay off **Sheffield H. Parker**, one of the heirs at law of said estate, and to legalize the same. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to define the line between the counties of **Gordon** and **Floyd**, and for other purposes. The same was indefinitely postponed, and the House adjourned until 7 o'clock, P. M.

SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and committed for a third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to alter the liability of certain persons acting in a fiduciary character.

A bill to be entitled an act to further regulate the decisions and practice of the Supreme Court.

A bill to be entitled an act to allow executors, administrators and guardians resident in other States or Territories, to control stocks and money in this State, and to empower trustees to dispose of stocks.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act to require the Receivers of Tax Returns in the several counties of this

State to ascertain the number of children in their respective counties between the age of eight and sixteen, &c. &c.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Commercial Bank of Brunswick.

A bill to be entitled an act declaring who shall be competent witnesses in the Courts of law and equity in this State, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

And a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Laurens Lodge No. 75 of Free and Accepted Masons of Laurens county.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary of the county of Taylor to pay over to James P. Rowan and Wm. A. Graham certain sums of money therein specified. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to explain and amend an act entitled an act to regulate the mode of suing the bonds of executors, administrators and guardians, approved January 15th, 1852. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee of the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to change the time of meeting of the General Assembly of the State of Georgia, from the first Monday in November to the first Wednesday in November. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to compensate the Grand and Petit Jurors of the county of Talbot. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to change the mode of executors, administrators and guardians in making their returns to Ordinaries. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the House to be entitled an act to provide for the appointment of a Geologist and Chemist for Agricultural purposes for the State of Georgia.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock offered as a substitute for the same a bill to be entitled an act to provide for a geological and mineralogical survey of the State with a view to developing the agricultural and mining interests of the State. The same was adopted.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on its passage, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded. There are yeas 48, nays 39.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barton,	Hill,	Paris,
Bartlett,	Hoyle,	Peterson,
Boyd,	Hughes,	Phillips,
Browning,	Johnson of Cass,	Pickett,
Burnett,	Johnson of Elbert,	Porter,
Butts,	Julian,	Pruitt,
Caldwell of Walker,	Kilgore,	Reid,
Carlton,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Clinch
Cooper,	Lawton,	Smith of Union,
Crook,	Lewis of Greene,	Spinks,
Davis of Polk,	Lewis of Hancock,	Terhune,
Durden,	McCants,	Tharpe,
Felton,	McLenan,	Thornton,
Graves,	Milledge,	Wood,
Harris of Fulton,	Montgomery,	Ward,
Harris of Meriwet'r,	Myers,	Warthen,
Henderson,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Griffeth,	Roberts,
Battle,	Harrison,	Rozier,
Bird,	Headen,	Rumph,
Brown of Burke,	Hilliard,	Simmons,
Brown of Camden,	Hudson of Gwinnett,	Sinquefield,
Connally,	Jones of Lowndes,	Slocumb,
Causey,	Kirkpatrick,	Solomon,
Cornwell,	Kitchens,	Smith of Bryan,
Dawson,	Maynor,	Smith of Tattnall,
Faulk,	M'Connel of Gordon,	Thompson,
Fields,	McLean,	Whitworth,
Gordon,	Murphy,	Wiggins,
Graham,	Phinazy,	Wynn.

So the bill was passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the House to be entitled an act to suspend militia musters in time of peace, &c.

Mr. Carlton offered as a substitute therefor a bill to be entitled an act to change the militia system of the State of Georgia. The same was, together with the original bill, indefinitely postponed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the House to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Atlanta. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The following bills of the House, which were amended by the Senate, were taken up and the amendments thereto concurred in, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the road laws of this State, so far as relates to the county of Coffee.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the road laws of this State, so far as relates to the county of Glynn.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Gwinnett to levy an extra county tax to pay for the erection of a new court-house in said county.

A bill be entitled an act to amend the several acts of the General Assembly of the State of Georgia relating to the Savannah and Albany Railroad Company and the Savannah, Albany and Gulf Railroad Company, approved respectively on the 25th day of December, 1847, the 20th day of November, 1851, and the 20th February, 1854, and to authorize the Southern Branch of said Savannah, Albany and Gulf Railroad Company to cross the line of the Brunswick and Florida Railroad Company.

And a bill to be entitled an act to add a part of originally Union county to the county of Gilmer, and to change the lines between the counties of Spalding and Pike, and to add a part of the county of Pike to the county of Spalding.

The House refused to recede from their amendment to the bill to be entitled an act to change the residence of Frederick Merit, sen., from the county of Coffee to the county of Irwin, and to change several other county lines therein named.

The House concurred in the amendment of the Senate to the bill to be entitled an act to authorize Uriah Evans of Twiggs county to peddle in the county of Twiggs, and others therein mentioned, which authorizes Jephtha Mock to peddle in the 2d Congressional District, but refused to concur in that which authorizes James B. Nelson to peddle in the first Congressional District.

The following resolutions of the Senate were concurred in, viz :

1st. The resolution relative to the resolutions of the State of Vermont.

2d. A resolution requesting our Senators and Representatives in Congress to exert their influence to procure John B. Beall of the county of Carroll a commission in the United States Army.

3d. A resolution appointing certain persons to cast the vote to which the State of Georgia may be entitled as a stockholder of the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad Company.

4th. A resolution in relation to the establishment of a mail route.

5th. A resolution in relation to establishing a naval depot at the city of Brunswick.

6th. A resolution relative to providing for certain militia districts the statutes of Georgia, &c., was amended by extending its provisions, and concurred in.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate have passed a resolution in relation to the appointment of certain persons to cast the vote of the State of Georgia in all meetings of Stockholders of the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad Company, and request the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the same, and which I have been instructed to communicate forthwith.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker :—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit :

A bill to define the duties of all railroad companies in this State in reference to bills and freight lists, and for other purposes.

A bill for the better defining the duties of the Inferior Court of Thomas county as to bridges and public works, and peddlers.

A bill to provide for the more effectual execution of the provisions of an act to prohibit the sale of deadly weapons, and for other purposes.

A bill to authorize E. M. Butler, Guardian, to sell the lands and negroes belonging to his ward, Hannah Butler, a deaf and dumb female.

A bill to raise the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace.

A bill for the perpetuation of testimony in certain cases.

A bill to authorize the Ordinary, acting Commissioner of the Poor School Fund, in the several counties herein named to pay all bills presented for the tuition of poor children in said counties entitled and not returned as entitled to the benefits of said poor school fund.

The Senate has also adopted a resolution requesting our Senators and Representatives in Congress to exert their influence to procure for John B. Beall a commission in the United States Army, in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate the city of Greensboro', to provide for its government, define its powers, and for other purposes therein mentioned. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act for the relief of Harriet A. Boyd of the county of Cobb. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate a town

to be called Warsaw. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to protect and confer upon charitable societies certain privileges and to make them bodies corporate and politic. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of certain counties herein named to levy an extra tax upon certain conditions, and for other purposes. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Wm. L. Strain of the county of Greene. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to change the place of holding Justices' Courts in the 476th District of Newton county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to empower the Judge of the Superior Courts of the Western Circuit to hold the fall term of the Superior Court of Jackson county two weeks in certain cases. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to amend an act supplementary to, and more effectually to enforce an act prescribing the mode of manumitting slaves in this State, approved December 19th, 1818, and for other purposes herein specified. The same was on motion indefinitely postponed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to prescribe the manner in which the names of persons may be changed, and persons born illegitimate may be made legitimate, and to carry into effect the provisions of the Constitution on that subject, and also to prescribe the manner in which children may be adopted, and to provide for establishing, changing or abolishing election precincts, and for other purposes.—The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to manumit a negro man slave named Boston, the property of certain persons therein named. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate the Auriferous Hill Gold Mining Company. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. McConnell of Cataosa, Smith of Clinch, and Hilliard, on account of special business, and to Messrs. Edenfield and Taylor on account of sickness.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to prevent the fraudulent survey of lands in the counties of Camden and Effingham. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Court of Ordinary of Scriven county. [?]

The following bills of the Senate were read the first time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to raise the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace.

A bill to be entitled an act to define the duties of all railroad companies in this State in reference to bills and freight lists, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary, Acting Commissioner of the Poor School Fund in the several counties herein named, to pay all bills presented for the tuition of poor children in said counties entitled and not returned as entitled to the benefits of said poor school fund.

A bill to be entitled an act for the perpetuation of testimony in certain cases.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Edmund M. Butler, Guardian, to sell the lands and negroes belonging to his ward, Hannah Butler, a deaf and dumb female.

A bill to be entitled an act for the better defining the duties of the Inferior Court of Thomas county as to bridges and public work, and pedlers, &c. ;

And a bill to be entitled an act to provide for the more effectual execution of an act to prohibit the sale of deadly weapons, and for other purposes.

The House then adjourned until 9½ o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Milledge, the reading of the Journals was postponed.

Mr. Terhune offered the following resolution, which was adopted and ordered to be transmitted to the Senate without delay, viz :

Again has death entered our halls !

Thrice has the shaft flown, and thrice has the victim fallen. The Providence of God falls as a heavy hand upon us. The Representative from the county of Columbia, and our co-laborer here, is no more !

Resolved, That in the death of Thomas E. Beall Columbia county has lost a faithful representative, his co-laborer a sincere friend, and the world an honest man.

Resolved, That the usual badge of mourning will be worn by us during the balance of this session of the General Assembly, and that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the friends of the deceased.

Mr. Lawton offered the following resolution, which was also agreed to and ordered to be immediately transmitted to the Senate, viz :

Resolved, That a committee consisting of Messrs. Barton and Kitchens be appointed on the part of the House to join such committee as may be appointed on the part of the Senate to attend the remains of the late Thomas E. Beall, Esq. Representative from Columbia, to his late residence.

Resolved, That this House adjourn this morning to attend the remains of the deceased to the railroad depot.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has concurred in the resolutions of the House of Representatives in relation to the death of Thomas E. Beall, Esq. Representative from the county of Columbia, and have appointed on their part Messrs. Avery and Nichols as a committee to attend the remains of the deceased to his late residence.

The House then adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Lewis of Greene moved to reconsider so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the indefinite postponement of the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a company to be called the Western and Atlantic Railroad Company, and to lease to said company the Western and Atlantic Railroad for the term of twenty years. The motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, so much of the Journal was re-

considered as relates to the passage of the bill to be entitled an act to compel the various Banks and their branches, and foreign Bank agencies, to pay a county tax, and the same was on motion of Mr. Phillips referred to a special committee consisting of Messrs. Phillips, Lawton and Lewis of Hancock.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled, signed by the President of the Senate, and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives—

An act for the relief of teachers of poor children of the several counties of this State for the years 1853 and '54.

An act to repeal a portion of the second section of an act entitled an act to change the lines between the counties of Monroe and Crawford, and also to change the lines between other counties therein mentioned. approved Feb. 13th, 1854.

An act to extend the provisions of the 4th section of an act for prevention of frauds and perjuries, enacted 29th Charles II. ch. 3d, so as to make the same applicable to slaves.

An act to prevent railroad agents from shipping or conveying their grain on the Western and Atlantic Railroad, in preference and to the injury of other persons, and to punish them for such offences.

An act declaring who are qualified and liable to serve as jurors in criminal cases, regulating the manner of empanelling a jury in such cases, declaring who are competent jurors, and the mode and manner of ascertaining such competency, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An act to repeal an act approved 22d January, 1852, entitled an act to repeal the 1st section of act approved 19th December, 1849, entitled an act to repeal all laws respecting the importation of slaves into this State, and to give certain powers to municipal corporations in relation to slaves, and to amend the act hereby repealed, and to revive and continue in force the said first section of said act so repealed.

An act to compensate the grand and petit jurors of the county of Tattnall, to provide for the payment of petit jurors of Columbia county, and for other purposes.

An act to reduce the Sheriffs' bond of Worth, Hart and Pickens counties.

An act in relation to the public records of counties where the same have been destroyed by fire, declaring that all deeds and other instruments in writing that have been recorded, shall be considered and taken as having been recorded upon sufficient proof of execution, and declaring what shall be proof of the contents of records so destroyed.

An act to authorize Thomas H. Hall of the county of Baldwin, a minor, to transact his own business in the manner and subject to the same responsibilities as though he were of

full age, and also to authorize Pliny Sheffield, jr. of Thomas county, a minor, to transact his own business in the manner and subject to the same responsibilities, as though he were of full age.

An act to amend tenth section of the thirteen division of the Penal Code of this State.

An act to authorize bills of sale to be proven, recorded and admitted in evidence in certain cases therein specified.

An act to authorize and require the Ordinary of Jackson county to pay to D. M. Burns, jr., of said county, his account for teaching certain poor children of said county in the year 1850.

An act to incorporate Macedonia Academy in the county of Coweta, and to appoint Trustees for the same.

An act for the relief of Henry Cox of the county of Washington.

An act for the protection of the rights of Eugene Allen, a minor of Troup county.

An act to alter and amend the nineteenth section of the first article of the Constitution of the State of Georgia.

An act to incorporate Atlanta Female College, located in Atlanta, and to confer powers on the same, and to repeal the second section of the act of 19th December, 1829, in relation to the Medical College of Georgia.

An act to authorize and require the poor school commissioners of the county of Warren to pay Ezra McCrary, out of the poor school fund of said county, the amount paid by him as Justice of the Peace out of his individual funds for teaching poor children in said county in the years 1837 and 1838.

An act to vest that portion of land known as the State's reserve below the city of Macon, in the corporate authorities of the city.

An act to incorporate and confer certain powers and privileges upon the Sandersville Hotel Company, the Pioneer Hook and Ladder Company, and the Church Asylum of Augusta.

An act to extend to the county of Webster the provisions of an act entitled an act to amend the road laws of this State, so far as relates to the counties of Wilkes, Laurens, Lincoln, Columbia and Twiggs, approved Feb. 20th, 1854.

An act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Courts of this State to exercise criminal jurisdiction.

An act to authorize persons to submit controversies to arbitration, declaring how arbitrators shall be chosen, prescribing their powers, regulating the manner in which their proceedings shall be conducted, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills, to-wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Troup county to lay an extra tax for the years 1856 and 1857, to build a jail in said county.

A bill to be entitled an act to simplify the method of carrying cases to the Supreme Court, and for other purposes.

The Senate has concurred in the amendments of the House of Representatives to the following bills of the Senate, to-wit :

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act to make permanent the county line between the counties of Dooly and Worth, and also between the counties of Irwin and Dooly.

A bill to be entitled an act to allow Andrew J. Wooten of the county of Telfair, to peddle and vend goods in the counties of Telfair, Pulaski, Montgomery, Appling, Coffee, Irwin, and Lowndes free of license, and other persons therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of teachers of poor children in the county of Decatur.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Pierce Female College, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to exempt the active members of the Young America Fire Company from Jury and Militia duty.

A bill to be entitled an act to limit the time of service of Grand and Petit Jurors in the City Court of Savannah, and to exempt the Keepers of Laurel Grove Cemetery and the Catholic Cemetery near the city of Savannah from service on Juries of the Superior Court and the City Court of Savannah.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the laws now of force in relation to idiots, lunatics and insane persons, and their estates, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Fletcherville in the county of Thomas, and also to extend the corporate limits of the town of Bainbridge, and other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to elect the Attorney General of the Middle Circuit, and the Solicitors General of the respective Judicial Circuits of the State, by the people, and for other purposes therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to establish and organize a Court in the cities of Columbus, Macon, Atlanta and Rome, and to define its jurisdiction.

Also passed the following bills of the House of Representatives, to-wit :

A bill for the relief of Crawford F. Little, Tax Collector of the county of Franklin.

A bill to amend the road laws of the county of Morgan.

A bill to improve the navigation of Great Ogechee river so far as the appointment of new commissioners are concerned, by adding certain persons herein named to the commissioners in said act mentioned.

A bill to authorize the Governor to draw his warrant on the Treasury to the amount of one hundred and sixty dollars in favor of Wm. S. Norman of the county of Liberty.

A bill authorizing the Ordinary of Twiggs county to grant letters of guardianship to Danielina W. Shine.

A bill reducing the Sheriff's bond of the Sheriffs hereafter to be elected in the county of Hart from the sum of twenty thousand dollars to the sum of ten thousand dollars.

A bill to incorporate Hopewell Academy in the county of Fayette, and appoint Trustees for the same.

A bill to be entitled an act to extend the limits of the village of Cave Spring, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Houston county to levy an extra tax for the years 1856 and 1857 for the purposes therein named, upon the conditions specified.

A bill amendatory of an act incorporating the Muscogee Railroad Company, so far as regards the qualifications and election of Directors thereof.

A bill to appropriate money to erect a building for the accommodation of the pupils at the Institute for the blind, located at Macon.

A bill authorizing the Ordinaries of this State to issue fees for cost in certain cases.

A bill to incorporate the Columbus Savings and Mutual Loan Association.

A bill to be entitled an act to refund to E. R. Alberti, a non-resident tax-payer of the county of Camden, a certain amount of money.

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend the act incorporating the Lumpkin county Manufacturing Company, assented to 24th December, 1840.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Mayor and Council of the city of Columbus to do certain acts therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John Huie of the county of Fayette.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Garnett Hill Mining Company of Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Summerville Academy, Emanuel county.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Augusta Savings Bank.

Also, the following bills of the House of Representatives

with amendments, in which they ask their concurrence, to-wit :

A bill for the relief of Rachel Holomon of the county of Carroll.

A bill appropriating money to the legal representatives of James M. Kelly.

A bill to remove the Penitentiary of this State, to appropriate money for the same, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the election of the Trustees of the Effingham county Academy, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Griffin Savings and Mutual Loan Association.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Finch Mining Company of Cherokee county, Georgia.

The Senate has also disagreed to the amendments of the House of Representatives to the bill of the Senate authorizing Dr. J. M. Goss to practice medicine on the eclectic system as taught in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Also, receded from its disagreement of the amendment of the House to the bill of the Senate prohibiting the payment of storage on cotton in the city of Columbus by farmers after selling from their wagons.

Also, adheres to its disagreement to the amendment of the House to the bill of the Senate adding lots of land numbers 117 and 118 in the 6th dist. of Irwin county to the county of Worth, and other county lines therein named.

Also, passed a joint resolution requesting the Governor to furnish to the Inferior Court of Jasper county five copies of Cobb's Analysis and Forms.

Also, disagrees to the amendment of the House to the bill of Senate limiting the time in which suits in the Courts of law and equity in this State must be brought.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new Judicial Circuit out of the counties of Heard, Coweta, Campbell, Carroll, Haralson, Polk and Floyd, and for other purposes. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives—

An act to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to improve the navigation of Great Ogeechee river, so far as the appointment of New Commissioners are concerned, by adding certain persons herein named to the Commissioners in said act mentioned, approved Feb. 7th, 1854.

An act to provide for the preservation of the public records, and for other purposes.

An act to amend the several rent laws of this State.

An act to submit the question of removal of the Court-house of the county of Macon to the people thereof, and the place of its location, and in case they elect to remove, to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court to sell the Court-house and property of the county appertaining thereto, to negotiate for the site that may be elected, and lay an extra tax for the building a new Court-house.

An act for the relief of Martha W. Clower of the county of Clark, Harriet T. Danforth of the county of Wilkes, Mary Ann Barnett of the county of Baldwin, Anna Bulkley, Harriett Seymour of the county of Paulding, Sarah Mann Tant and Eleanor Maloney of the county of Richmond, and Susan Price of the county of Wilkes.

An act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Wayne, on the recommendation of the Grand Jury of said county, to levy an extra tax to be applied to common school purposes, to appoint Commissioners, and for other purposes therein specified.

An act to repeal the first section of an act entitled an act to grant exemption to cavalry corps, and for the promotion of squadrons of cavalry, and to confer certain privileges upon the Baldwin Blues, approved January 22d, 1852, so far as relates to the county of Gordon.

An act to define the liabilities of the husband for the debts of the wife, and to define the liabilities of property received through the wife for the debts of the husband existing at the time of marriage.

A bill to extend the jurisdiction of magistrates' courts within the corporate limits of the city of Augusta to fifty dollars.

An act to prevent persons from throwing dead stock or other dead carcasses in Cotucay and Chattahoochee rivers, or timber that would be likely to create drifts.

An act to appropriate money for repairing the State House, and for other purposes.

An act to authorize the Inferior Court of the county of Laurens to levy an extra tax for pauper purposes.

An act to alter and amend the road laws in the county of Morgan.

An act to authorize the Governor to draw his warrant on the Treasury to the amount of one hundred and sixty dollars in favor of Wm. S. Norman of the county of Liberty.

An act to authorize the Ordinaries of this State to issue *fi fas* for cost in certain cases.

An act to authorize the Judges of the Inferior Courts of the counties of Liberty and Bryan to appoint a competent Surveyor from their respective counties to properly run out and clearly define the dividing line between said counties.

An act to authorize the Ordinary of Twiggs county to grant letters of guardianship to Daniel W. Shine.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to allow practising Attorneys to serve as Justices of the Peace in Burke county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate the Sweet-water Railroad Company. The report was agreed to.— The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act for the relief of John C. Everett, Robert Campbell and Jesse Bryan. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to alter and amend the 6th section of an act approved 11th February, 1854, entitled an act to incorporate the Dalton and Copper Mine Turnpike, Plank and Railroad Company, and to allow the Company to build a Turnpike, Plank or Railroad. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Lithonia in DeKalb county, and the town of Woodbury in the county of Meriwether. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to compel the Superintendent of the Western and Atlantic Railroad to sell such iron and other articles as may become useless to said road, at public outcry, and for other purposes therein mentioned. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to compel owners of slaves on plantations or farms in Effingham county to keep a white man on said plantations or farms. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate the Welaka Steamboat Company. The same was amended.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed as amended under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate a bank in the town of Hamilton, to be called the Bank of Hamilton,

Georgia. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize the Gainesville and Chattahoochee Ridge Railroad Companies to consolidate their charters and make them uniform, and to increase and fix the amount of their capital stock; also, to incorporate the Eatonton and Madison Railroad Company. The same was amended.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the LaGrange Light Guards, the Bibb county Loan Association, and the Scriven Troops, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize Wm. B. Wofford to build and keep a mill-dam across the Conasauga River on his own land in the county of Murray. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to amend the several acts of this State in relation to suing out commissions of lunacy. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to require the depot agents and conductors of the Western and Atlantic Railroad to take an oath for the faithful discharge of their duties, and to punish them for a violation of the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the representatives and securities of Tax Collectors in certain cases, and for other purposes therein mentioned. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize Tax Collectors to issue summons of garnishment. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to give force and operation to judgments issuing from the Mayor's Court of the city of Darien throughout the State of Georgia. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to exempt persons re

sident on Skidaway Island from performing road duty on the main land. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Richmond and Columbia, so as to include the land and residence of Alexander M. Allen in the county of Columbia. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of certain persons therein named. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to enable persons who have claims against trust estates to recover said claims in a court of law, and to prescribe the manner in which the same shall be done. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize the Clerk of the Superior and Inferior Courts of the county of Ware to keep their office at their residence, if within eight miles of the Court-house, and to exempt the Justices of the Inferior Court from all other public duties during their continuance in office. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize the Clerks of the Superior and Inferior Courts of the counties of Pike and Clark to appoint Deputy Clerks with certain powers and privileges herein prescribed. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled, signed by the President of the Senate and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act for the relief of Jesse J. Connel of Dooly county.

An act to prescribe the mode of taxing costs in the Supreme Court of this State.

An act to incorporate the Mount Vernon Methodist Camp Ground in Whitfield county and the Waresboro Camp Ground in the county of Ware, and to appoint Trustees for the same, and for other purposes.

An act to exempt Daniel and Lucinda, his wife, the property of Harrison W. Riley nominal slaves, from the tax now imposed by law on nominal slaves.

An act to incorporate Cotton Hill Male and Female Seminary in the village of Cotton Hill in Clay county, and to appoint Trustees for the same.

An act to give endorsers the control of filias in all cases in which he may have paid them, against the principal or any prior endorser.

An act for the relief of John J. Morris and John C. Morris of the county of Clay, and for the relief of John McKinna of Richmond county.

An act to compensate grand and petit jurors for the county of Pickens and to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court to levy an extra tax for that purpose, and to extend the provisions of this act to other counties therein named.

An act to authorize Sheriffs to take new bail where the principal has been surrendered, in certain cases, and to make valid certain bail bonds taken heretofore.

An act to lay out and organize a new county from the counties of Union and Rabun, and for other purposes therein specified.

An act to add the present residence of the Rev. H. T. Bussey to the county of Telfair.

An act to appoint Commissioners of Pilotage for the navigable waters of the port of Darien, in the county of McIntosh.

An act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Courts of the counties of Fannin, Telfair, Walton and Clinch to lay off said counties into school districts, to appoint trustees for the same, and to provide for the election of a treasurer for each of said districts, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An act explanatory of the second section of an act entitled an act to alter and amend an act for the more effectually securing the probate of wills, &c. approved 10th Dec. 1812.

An act incorporating the town of Oxford, in the county of Newton and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An act to authorize the Ordinaries of certain counties therein mentioned to pay arrearages due teachers of poor children for certain years therein mentioned.

An act to incorporate the Woodland Female College, located in the town of Cedar Town, Georgia, and to confer upon said corporation certain powers therein named.

An act to exempt the active members of the Young America Fire Company from Jury and Militia duty, and to authorize Edmund Molyneux of the city of Savannah to hold and possess real and personal estate.

An act to allow Andrew J. Wooten of the county of Telfair, to peddle and vend goods in the counties of Telfair, Pulaski, Montgomery, Appling, Coffee, Irwin, and Lowndes free of license, and other persons therein named.

An act giving the election of County Treasurer of the county of Taylor and other counties therein named to the legal voters of said counties.

An act to give the election of County Treasurer to the several counties therein mentioned.

An act for the relief of James Henry Fannin of the county of Troup, a minor in the 21st year of his age.

An act for the relief of Mary Ann Lee of the county of Ware, and other persons therein named, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An act to incorporate Elberton Female Collegiate Institute, located at Elberton, and to amend the act incorporating the Snake Creek Academy in Gordon county, and for other purposes therein named.

An act for the relief of Henry A. Clemons.

The House took up the following bills, which were amended in the Senate, and concurred in said amendments, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Griffin Savings and Mutual Loan Association.

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money to the legal representatives of James M. Kelly, deceased.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Rachel Holomon of the county of Carroll.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the election of the Trustees of the Effingham county Academy, and for other purposes.

And a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Finch Mining Company of Cherokee county, Georgia.

The House receded from their amendments to the following bills of the Senate, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend an act to make permanent the county line between the counties of Dooly and Worth, and also between the counties of Irwin and Dooly.

A bill to be entitled an act limiting the time in which suits in the Courts of law and equity in this State must be brought, and also limiting the times in which indictments are to be found and prosecuted in certain cases, and for other purposes therein specified.

The House insisted on their amendments to the bill to be entitled an act to add lots of land number 117 and 118 in the 6th district of Irwin county to the county of Worth, and to change the lines between certain other counties ; and

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Dr. J. J. M. Goss to practice medicine on the eclectic system as taught in Cincinnati.

The House adjourned until 7 o'clock P. M.

SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The following bills of the Senate were read the first time, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to define the duties of all railroad companies in this State in reference to bills and freight lists, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Troup county to lay an extra tax for the years 1856 and 1857, to build a jail in said county.

A bill to be entitled an act to simplify the method of carrying cases to the Supreme Court, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act incorporating the city of Rome.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and committed for a third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act for the perpetuation of testimony in certain cases.

A bill to be entitled an act to raise the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary, Acting Commissioner of the Poor School Fund in the several counties herein named, to pay all bills presented for the tuition of poor children in said counties entitled and not returned as entitled to the benefits of said poor school fund.

A bill to be entitled an act for the better defining the duties of the Inferior Court of Thomas county as to bridges and public work, and pedlars, &c. ;

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Edmund M. Butler, Guardian, to sell the lands and negroes belonging to his ward, Hannah Butler, a deaf and dumb female.

And a bill to be entitled an act to provide for the more effectual execution of the provisions of an act to prohibit the sale of deadly weapons, and for other purposes.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize the Georgia and Florida Railroad Company to construct a branch road. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize the Superior Court of Glynn county to have copies of the original records transcribed and to legalize the same. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to legalize certain processes in Monroe county. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Summerville Male and Female Academies, and for other purposes therein specified. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank in the town of Madison, to be called the Bank of Madison. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills of the House of Representatives, to-wit :

A bill to dispose of and appropriate the ungranted lands in the county of Chatham, and to vest the same in certain charitable societies.

A bill incorporating the North Georgia Mining Company.

A bill amending the sixth section of an act to incorporate the Bank of Savannah.

A bill for the relief of Mason Tiller of the county of Lee.

A bill ratifying the organization and election of the 1st Brigade, 1st Division, Georgia Militia.

A bill incorporating the Southwestern Magnetic Telegraph Company.

A bill to cede to the United States jurisdiction over certain territory within the limits of the city of Savannah.

A bill authorizing the admission in evidence of certified copies from the Executive Department and other offices connected therewith, to be used as evidence in any court of law or equity in this State.

A bill incorporating a Bank in the city of Columbus.

A bill authorizing Wm. Stroud, Administrator de bonis non, &c., to pay off Sheffield H. Parker, one of the heirs at law of Wm. H. Parker of Clark county.

A bill incorporating the Northeastern Railroad Company.

The Senate has also concurred in the amendments of the House of Representatives to the following bills of the Senate :

A bill incorporating a town to be called Warsaw.

A bill preventing fraudulent surveys of land in the counties of Camden and Ettingham.

A bill incorporating the Auriferous Hill Gold Mining Company.

A bill organizing a new judicial circuit out of the counties of Heard, Campbell, Carroll and other counties therein named.

The Senate has also passed the following bills of the House of Representatives with certain amendments to the same, to which they ask the concurrence of the House, to-wit :

A bill to incorporate the Fighting Town Mining Company.

A bill to incorporate the Trustees of the Masonic Hall in the city of Savannah.

A bill to amend the laws now of force in reference to the public printer.

A bill for the relief of William Searcy of the county of Talbot.

A bill to appoint Commissioners with power to remove all obstructions for the free passage of fish in Kinchaloonee Creek, and to punish those who may attempt the same.

A bill to change the line of certain counties therein named.

The Senate have also appointed the following Committee of Conference in regard to the disagreement of the Senate to an amendment of the House of a bill of the Senate in regard to adding certain lots of land in Dooly county to Houston county, to-wit: Messrs. Knight, Hamilton and Harris of Worth.

The Senate has also passed a bill incorporating the city of Rome.

The Senate also recedes from its disagreement to the amendment of the House to a bill to add a part of originally Union county to the county of Gilmer, and to change the lines between the counties of Spalding and Pike, and to add a part of Pike to the county of Spalding.

The Senate recedes from its amendment to the bill of the House authorizing Uriah Evans to peddle in the county of Twiggs and other counties, so far as relates to James B. Nelson of Bibb county to peddle in the 1st Congressional District.

The Senate also recedes from its disagreement to the amendment of the House to the bill of the Senate changing the residence of Frederick Merit, sen., from the county of Coffee to the county of Irwin, and changing other county lines, so far as relates to the counties of Emanuel and Jefferson, Madison and Jackson, and Lumpkin and Hall.

The Senate adheres to its disagreement to the amendment of the House to the same bill, so far as relates to the line of the counties of Dooly and Houston, and have appointed on their part a Committee of Conference, consisting of Messrs. Knight, Hamilton and Harris of Worth.

The Senate disagrees to the amendment of the House to the bill of the Senate regulating the mode of suing the bonds of executors, administrators and guardians.

The House took up the Senate amendments to the bill of the House to be entitled an act to remove the Penitentiary

of this State, to appropriate money for the same, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Smith of Union moved to disagree with the same, and upon this proposition Mr. Butts required the yeas and nays to be recorded, and are yeas 37, nays 44.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Harris of Fulton,	Paris,
Barrett,	Haynie,	Phillips,
Boyd,	Henderson,	Phinizy,
Browning,	Hoyle,	Pruitt,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Carroll,	Sapp,
Cannon,	Johnson of Cass,	Simmons,
Carlton,	Julian,	Smith of Union,
Connally,	King of Fayette,	Spinks,
Cooper,	Lane,	Wood,
Crook,	Lewis of Greene,	Ward,
Davis of Polk,	Maynor,	Whitworth,
Dawson,	M'Connel of Gordon	Wynn.
Fields,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Bartlett,	Harrison,	Peterson,
Battle,	Hill,	Pickett,
Bird,	Hudson of Harris,	Porter,
Bradford,	Hughes,	Powell,
Brown of Burke,	Johnson of Elbert	Reid,
Brown of Talbot,	Jones of Lowndes,	Rozier,
Butts,	Jones of Warren,	Sharman,
Calloway,	Kirkpatrick,	Sinquefield,
Causey,	Lawton,	Stocumb,
Cottle,	Lewis of Hancock,	Solomon,
Dozier,	McCants,	Smith of Bryan,
Durden,	McLean,	Tatom,
Faulk,	Montgomery,	Thornton,
Felton,	Murphy,	Williams,
Graham,	Myers,	

So the motion was lost, and the amendments were concurred in.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the House to be entitled an act to compel the various banks and their branches, and foreign bank agencies, to pay a county tax.

The special committee to whom the same was referred reported in lieu thereof the following bill, which was adopted, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to compel the various banks in this State and their branches, and the agencies of foreign banks, to pay county taxes, and to fix the tax on bank stock. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to relieve executors and administrators from the necessity of publishing notices of sales of insolvent papers in one of the public gazettes of this State. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to compel and require persons owning land in this State out of the counties in which they reside, to give in the numbers of the same and the county and district and section in which it was situated at the time it was granted, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage Mr. Carlton required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 41, nays 42.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Fields,	Paris,
Barrett,	Graham,	Peterson,
Bird,	Harris of Fulton,	Phillips,
Boyd,	Harrison,	Pickett,
Bradford,	Haynie,	Porter,
Browning,	Hill,	Pruitt,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Carroll,	Sapp,
Calloway,	Julian,	Simmons,
Cannon,	King of Fayette,	Smith of Union,
Connally,	Lawton,	Spinks,
Crook,	Maynor,	Thornton,
Davis of Polk,	McClary,	Wood,
Dozier,	McConnel of Gord'n,	Williams,
Felton,	Myers,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Bartlett,	Henderson,	Phinizy,
Battle,	Hudson of Harris,	Reid,
Boykin of Troup,	Hughes,	Sharman,
Brown of Burke,	Johnson of Cass,	Sinquefield,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Elbert,	Slocumb,
Butts,	Johnson of Henry,	Solomon,
Carlton,	Kilgore,	Smith of Bryan,
Causey,	Kirkpatrick,	Tatom,
Cooper,	Lane,	Terhune,
Cottle,	Lewis of Greene,	Tharpe,
Dawson,	Lewis of Hancock,	Ward,
Durden,	McLean,	Warthen,
Gordon,	Montgomery,	Wynn,
Griffeth,	Murphy,	
Headen,		

So the bill was lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Cartersville Lodge and Oak Bowery Lodge No. 81 of Free and Accepted Masons. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the purpose of expediting the trial [of cases] at law and in equity in the Courts of this State, and for other purposes therein mentioned. The same was laid on the table for the balance of the Session.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to require the State Printer to cause to be reported the proceedings of the Legislature. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act for the relief of John F. Ball, Wm. Cox, Wm. H. Turner, and Wm. Prestley of Stewart county, Georgia. The same was laid on the table for the balance of the Session.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize Jesse L. Bull, a minor in the county of Stewart, to be the heir at law of William Carter of said county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to prescribe the order of descent and succession of the estates of illegitimate persons who die intestate. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to compel all persons residing in the counties of Crawford, Clinch and Chattahoochee, who are liable to perform road duty, to perform the same under certain penalties therein named. The same was laid on the table for the balance of the Session.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Inferior Court of the county of Early, the Superior Court of the county of Chattahoochee, and to allow two weeks for the Superior Court of the county of Warren, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to divide the offices of Tax Collector and Receiver of Tax Returns of the county of Dale. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the

bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to change the lines between certain counties therein named. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize Azariah Burnett of the county of Dade to practise medicine and charge for the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and yassed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to provide a remedy for cases in the Supreme Court where the defendant in error dies between the time of the trial in the Circuit Court and the time of filing the bill of exceptions, writs of error, citation and notice, in said Court. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act for the relief of George M. Hodges and Josiah Hill of the county of Macon. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to amend certain sections of the act amending the act incorporating the town of Calhoun. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to facilitate and expedite the collection of debts due by corporations, joint stock companies and associations, in cases where the stockholders and members are liable for the same. The same was amended,

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to continue in force the tenth section of an act to lay out and form a new county from parts of the counties of Early and Randolph, approved February 16th, 1854. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act amendatory of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Masonic Hall in the city of Milledgeville, assented to December 26, 1851. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act for the relief of Robert G. Ford of the county of Worth. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House on motion adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Union, so much of the Journals of yesterday as relates to the concurrence of the House in certain amendments of the Senate to the bill relative to the removal of the Penitentiary [was reconsidered.]

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate a bank in the city of Atlanta to be called the Bank of Fulton. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act for the relief of Wm. H. C. Prior, Executor, &c. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to amend the acts incorporating the town of Thomasville, and to grant certain privileges to the same, and to extend its limits. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act more effectually to define the duties of Brigade Inspectors of the several Brigades of Militia of this State, and to regulate their pay. The same was laid on the table for the balance of the Session.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court to lay off the county of Floyd into school districts, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize the endorsers on promissory notes and other instruments which shall be given for the purpose of negotiation, or intended to be negotiated, at any chartered Bank, or which may be deposited in any chartered Bank for collection, to be sued in the same action with the principal or maker. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate the Thomasville Female College. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate the Apalachee Mining Company, and to confer certain privileges on same. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the

bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize Warren Dykes, an infirm man of the county of Worth, as an itinerant trader to vend any goods, wares or merchandize within the limits and bounds of said county. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize Stephen W. Parker, a minor of the county of Chattahoochee, to transact his own business. The report was agreed to.—The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act in relation to the publication of the advertisements of county officers of the county of Taliaferro. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker:—The Senate has passed the following bills, of the House of Representatives, to-wit:

A bill to incorporate Salt Springs Academy in Campbell county, and to appoint trustees for the same.

A bill to incorporate the town of Jefferson in the county of Camden, and for other purposes.

A bill to change the time of service in relation to subpoenas issuing from Justice's Courts to compel discoveries at common law.

A bill to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Charlton county to examine and allow to the Tax Collector of said county their insolvent list.

A bill to appropriate money for the benefit of the Georgia Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb, and for other purposes.

A bill to incorporate the Rome Foundry and Machine Company.

A bill to incorporate the Goshen Mining Company.

A bill to authorize the Governor and Controller General to correct mistakes of Receivers and Collectors of taxes, or of any tax payer, whereby more money is paid into the Treasury than is required by law, to refund the same, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate a company in the county of Columbia and State of Georgia, to be known by the name and style of the Columbia Mining Company, and to grant certain privileges thereto, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the third section of an act entitled an act to amend the several acts relating to the Court of Common Pleas and of Oyer and Terminer of the City of Savannah, and for other purposes, approved 9th

December, 1853, and for other purposes therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate the Ogeechee Plank Road Company, and for other purposes therein named, approved January 22d, 1852.

A bill to extend the provisions of an act to amend the several acts now in force regulating the fees of magistrates and constables in the State of Georgia, so far as relates to the counties of Bibb, Richmond, Monroe and Lee, and to provide for the mode of collecting the same, approved January 22d, 1852, to the county of Fulton.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the American Mining Company.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Effingham county to order the payment of the Superintendents, Clerks, and those who consolidate the returns of elections of said county for their services.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of James Roundtree of the county of Fulton, and James Suggs of the county of Randolph.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Thomas R. Gibbs, an infirm man, to peddle without paying for license.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Joseph Landrum of the county of Oglethorpe.

A bill to prevent the felling in or otherwise obstructing Mountain Town Creek, so as to cause drifts.

A bill to authorize and provide for the union and consolidation of the Muscogee Railroad Company with the South-western Railroad Company under the charter of the latter Company.

A bill to consolidate the offices of Tax Receivers and Tax Collectors of the county of Worth.

A bill to incorporate the Macon Savings Bank.

A bill to incorporate the town of Fletcherville in the county of Thomas, and also to extend the corporate limits of the town of Bainbridge, and to incorporate the town of Morganton in the county of Fannin, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Archer Griffith of Oglethorpe county, and to authorize him to pay taxes in Oglethorpe county upon property owned by him in Madison county.

A bill to authorize certain persons therein named to clear out and improve the navigation of the Chattahoochee river above the Western and Atlantic Railroad.

A bill for the relief of Susan Murray of the county of Charlton.

They have also passed the following bills of the House of Representatives with amendments, in which they ask their concurrence, to-wit :

A bill changing the county lines between Cass and Gordon, and other county lines therein named.

A bill for the relief of Edward Stanfield of Henry county.

A bill authorizing Ransom Rogers, sen., of the county of Scriven, to practice medicine and charge for the same.

A bill authorizing the Treasurer to pay over to the Ordinary of Chattahoochee county the poor school fund for the year 1854.

A bill changing the time of holding the Superior and Inferior Courts of the county of Sumter.

A bill incorporating the city of Dalton, and other purposes.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the following acts:

An act to appropriate money to erect a necessary building for the accommodation of the pupils at the Institute for the blind, located in the city of Macon.

An act to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Gwinnett to levy an extra county tax to pay for the erection of a new court-house in said county.

An act to authorize the admission in evidence of certified copies from the Executive Department and other offices connected therewith, to be used as evidence in any Court of law or equity in this State.

An act to amend the sixth section of an act to incorporate the Bank of Savannah.

An act to cede to the United States jurisdiction over certain territory within the limits of the city of Savannah.

An act to incorporate Summerville Academy in Emanuel county.

An act to alter and amend the act incorporating the Lumpkin county Manufacturing Company, assented to 24th December, 1840.

An act to incorporate the United Riflemen of the city of Columbus, and also the Richmond Huzzars of Richmond county.

An act to amend the road laws of this State, so far as relates to the county of Coffee.

An act to refund to E. R. Alberti, a non-resident tax-payer of the county of Camden, a certain amount of money.

An act to authorize the Inferior Court of Houston county to levy an extra tax for the years 1856 and 1857 for the purposes therein named, upon the conditions specified.

An act to incorporate the Ladies' German Benevolent Society of Savannah.

An act to authorize the Mayor and Council of the city of Columbus to return certain bonds by them executed and delivered, and to execute and deliver bonds in lieu thereof.

An act to reduce the bonds of the Sheriffs of the county of Coffee to the sum of eight thousand dollars.

An act to reduce the bonds of the Sheriffs hereafter to be lected in the county of Hart from the sum of twenty thousand dollars to the sum of ten thousand dollars.

An act amendatory an act incorporating the Muscogee Railroad Company, so far as regards the qualifications and election of Directors thereof.

An act to alter an act entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to extend the civil jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace in the city of Savannah, and for other purposes, assented to 17th February, 1854.

An act to incorporate the Augusta Savings Bank.

An act to incorporate Hopewell Academy in the county of Fayette, and appoint Trustees for the same.

An act to provide for a correct registry of deaths occurring in the city of Savannah and of interments in said city and its vicinity, and for other purposes.

An act for the relief of John Huie of the county of Fayette.

An act for the relief of Mason Tiller of the county of Lee

An act to amend the several acts of the General Assembly of the State of Georgia relating to the Savannah and Albany Railroad Company and the Savannah, Albany and Gulf Railroad Company, approved respectively on the 25th day of December, 1847, the 20th day of November, 1851, and the 20th February, 1854, and to authorize the Southern Branch of said Savannah, Albany and Gulf Railroad Company to cross the line of the Brunswick and Florida Railroad Company.

An act to authorize the building, opening and constructing a railroad from some point in the county of Union or in the county of Fannin, which may be agreed upon by the Directors of said railroad, or a majority of them hereinafter mentioned, running up the valley of Little Hightower river in the county of Union, to connect with the Northeastern Railroad (now contemplated) in the county of Rabun or Habersham, or with some other railroad or contemplated railroad, and to grant corporate powers and privileges to the same.

Also, resolutions in relation to the death of Thomas E. Beall, Representative from Columbia county.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to alter and amend the first section of the third article of the Constitution of this State. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded. There are yeas 68, nays 25.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Graybill,	Paris,
Barrett,	Griffith,	Phillips,
Barron,	Harris of Fulton,	Pickett,
Bartlett,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Powell,
Battle,	Haynie,	Reid,
Boyd,	Headen,	Rozier,
Bradford,	Hill,	Sapp,
Brown of Burke,	Hoyle,	Simmons,
Brown of Camden,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Solomon,
Brown of Talbot,	Hudson of Harris,	Smith of Hancock,
Browning,	Hughes,	Smith of Union,
Burnett,	Johnson of Carroll,	Tatom,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Cass,	Taylor,
Carlton,	Jones of Warren,	Terhune,
Connally,	Julian,	Tharpe,
Cottle,	King of Fayette,	Thornton,
Crook,	Lane,	Wood,
Dawson,	Lawton,	Ward,
Dozier,	Lewis of Greene,	Warthen,
Durden,	Lewis of Hancock,	Watts,
Felton,	McCants,	Williams,
Gordon,	M'Connel of Gord'n,	Wynn,
Graham,	Moore,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Bird,	Johnson of Elbert,	Peterson,
Butts,	Kirkpatrick,	Phinizy,
Calloway,	Maynor,	Rumph,
Cannon,	McClary,	Sharman,
Cooper,	McLean,	Slocumb,
Daniel,	Montgomery,	Smith of Bryan,
Faulk,	Murphy,	Spinks,
Harris of Dougherty,	Myers,	Whitworth,
Harrison,		

So the bill was passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act for the relief of Henry Medora Arnold, wife of John B. Arnold of Glynn county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to amend the several acts in relation to the exemption of certain property from levy and sale, and to provide a mode for securing said property to the wife and children, or wife, or child or children, of said debtor. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to confer certain powers on John J. Spires of Lincoln county, and to make lawful

his acts, and to give him authority to transact business as though he were of full age. The report was agreed to.— The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to point out the mode or manner of collecting magistrates' and constables' fees in the county of Chatham, and to amend an act to repeal an act to extend the civil jurisdiction of the Justices of the Peace. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to alter the time of holding the Inferior Court of the county of Worth. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The Senate amendments to the bill of the House in relation to the removal of the Penitentiary of this State, were taken up.

Mr. Smith offered to amend said amendments by providing that in the event of a failure to lease the same within two months after proposals are invited by proclamation of the Governor, for not less than one thousand dollars, the Penitentiary shall be removed to the Stone Mountain, according to the terms, limitations and restrictions of the original House bill reported by Mr. Smith of Union, as the Chairman of the Committee on the Penitentiary. The same was agreed to.

Mr. Terhune, of the Committee on Enrolment reports as duly enrolled the following bills, as signed by the President of the Senate, and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, to-wit:

An act to define and extend the powers of the Union Society of the city of Savannah.

An act to prohibit any person or persons from driving cattle on the Lookout Mountain in the counties of Walker, Catoosa and Dade, in certain months in the year.

An act for the relief of Wm. L. Strain of the county of Greene.

An act to prescribe the manner in which the names of persons may be changed, and persons born illegitimate may be made legitimate, and to carry into effect the provisions of the Constitution on that subject, and also to prescribe the manner in which children may be adopted, and to provide for establishing, changing or abolishing election precincts, and for other purposes.

An act for the relief of Wm. T. Shannon, Reuben J. Dawson and Daniel Pardieu, securities of George P. Nickelson, late Tax Collector of Greene county, and for other purposes.

An act to incorporate the Northeastern Railroad Company.

An act to authorize John W. Grantham an infirm person and a citizen of Cobb county, to peddle and vend goods, wares and merchandize in the county of Cobb without a license for that purpose as now required by law, and to entitle Mathew Crenshaw to similar privileges in Troup county.

An act to incorporate Macon Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, and to confer certain privileges and exemptions.

An act to change the mode of executors, administrators and guardians in making their returns to Ordinaries.

An act to protect and confer upon charitable societies certain privileges and to make them bodies corporate and politic.

An act to authorize the Ordinary of the county of Taylor to pay over to James P. Rowan and Wm. A. Graham certain sums of money therein specified.

An act to incorporate the Lagrange and Oxford Railroad Company.

An act to confer certain privileges upon James J. Boyett of the county of Randolph, and to make lawful his acts, and to give him authority to transact business as though he were of full age.

An act to alter and amend the fifteenth section of the 14th Division of the Penal Code.

An act to incorporate Pierce Female College, and for other purposes.

An act to authorize William Stroud, Administrator de bonis non upon the estate of William H. Parker, late of Clark county, deceased, to settle with and pay off Sheffield H. Parker, one of the heirs at law of said estate, and to legalize the same.

An act to incorporate Madison Town Hall Company.

An act to allow Andrew J. Wooten of the county of Telfair, to peddle and vend goods in the counties of Telfair, Pulaski, Laurens, Montgomery, Appling, Coffee, Irwin, and Lowndes, free of license, and other persons therein named.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor, through Mr. deGraffenried, his Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—I am instructed to inform the House of Representatives that the following acts have been approved and signed by the Governor :

An act to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to improve the navigation of Great Ogeechee river, so far as the appointment of New Commissioners are concerned, by adding certain persons herein named to the Commissioners in said act mentioned, approved Feb. 7th, 1854.

An act to provide for the preservation of the public records, and for other purposes.

An act to allow Trustees to make returns to the Court of Ordinary in certain cases, and to make it their duty to do so in other cases, and also to allow William M. Reese, for-

mer Trustee of John O. Rives and family, to make returns to the Ordinary of Wilkes county, and for other purposes.

An act to appropriate money for repairing the State House, and for other purposes.

An act to prevent any person from throwing dead stock or other dead carcasses in Cotucay and Chattahoochee rivers, or timber that would be likely to create drifts.

An act to extend the jurisdiction of magistrates' courts within the corporate limits of the city of Augusta to fifty dollars.

An act to submit the question of removal of the Court-house of the county of Macon to the people thereof, and the place of its location, and in case they elect to remove, to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court to sell the Court-house and property of the county appertaining thereto, to negotiate for the site that may be elected, and lay an extra tax for the building a new Court-house.

An act to repeal the first section of an act entitled an act to grant exemption to cavalry corps, and for the promotion of squadrons of cavalry, and to confer certain privileges upon the Baldwin Blues, approved January 22d, 1852, so far as relates to the county of Gordon.

An act to define the liabilities of the husband for the debts of the wife, and to define the liabilities of property received through the wife for the debts of the husband existing at the time of marriage.

An act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Wayne, on the recommendation of the Grand Jury of said county, to levy an extra tax to be applied to common school purposes, to appoint Commissioners, and for other purposes therein specified.

An act to amend the several rent laws of this State.

An act for the relief of Martha W. Clower of the county of Clark, Harriet T. Danforth of the county of Wilkes, Mary Ann Barnett of the county of Baldwin, Anna Bulkley, Harriett Seymour of the county of Paulding, Sarah Mann Tant and Eleanor Maloney of the county of Richmond, and Susan Price of the county of Wilkes.

An act to authorize the Ordinaries of this State to issue fees for cost in certain cases.

An act to authorize the Ordinary of Twiggs county to grant letters of guardianship to Daniel W. Shine.

An act to authorize the Judges of the Inferior Courts of the counties of Liberty and Bryan to appoint a competent Surveyor from their respective counties to properly run out and clearly define the dividing line between said counties.

An act to authorize the Inferior Court of the county of Laurens to levy an extra tax for pauper purposes.

An act to alter and amend the road laws in the county of Morgan.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act amendatory of an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of New Gibraltar in DeKalb county, to appoint Commissioners for the same, to provide for the election of Commissioners in succession, and other regulations therein named, and to levy a tax for the improvement of said town, to change the name and extend the limits of said town, assented to December 17th, 1847, and also to incorporate the town of Tunnell Hill in the county of Whitfield, and for other purposes.

Mr. Terhune moved to amend the same by restricting the license fee for the retailing of ardent spirits within the limits of said towns to the sum of fifty dollars. Upon this he required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 41, nays 44.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Griffeth,	Phinzy,
Barron,	Harrison,	Pickett,
Battle,	Headen,	Powell,
Bird,	Henderson,	Pruitt,
Bradford,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Rozier,
Brown of Camden,	Hudson of Harris,	Simmons,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Carroll,	Slocumb,
Browning,	Jones of Warren,	Smith of Union,
Calloway,	Kilgore,	Spinks,
Connally,	King of Fayette,	Terhune,
Cooper,	Maynor,	Warthen,
Dozier,	McConnel of Gord'n	Whitworth,
Durden,	McLean,	Wynn.
Faulk,	Myers,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Bartlett,	Hayne,	Moore,
Boyd,	Hill,	Murphy,
Brown of Burke,	Hoyle,	Paris,
Burnett,	Hughes,	Peterson,
Butts,	Johnson of Cass,	Reid,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Elbert,	Sapp,
Cannon,	Jones of Lowndes,	Solomon,
Carlton,	Julian,	Smith of Hancock,
Cottle,	Kirkpatrick,	Tatom,
Crook,	Lane,	Thornton,
Davis of Polk,	Lawton,	Wood,
Gordon,	Lewis of Hancock,	Ward,
Graham,	McCants,	Watts,
Harris of Fulton,	McClary,	Williams,
Harris of Meriwe'r	Montgomery,	

The motion to amend was lost.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third the third time and passed.

The Committee of Conference in reference to the disagreement of the two Houses on the Senate bill to be entitled an act to change the residence of Frederick Merit, sen., from the county of Coffee to the county of Irwin, and to change certain county lines therein mentioned, reported in favor of the House receding from their amendment.

On motion, the same was adopted, and the House receded.

Mr. Thornton offered a resolution authorizing Ambrose Avery, Senator of the county of Columbia, to draw and receipt for the mileage and per diem of the late Thomas E. Beall, Representative from said county. The same was agreed to.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to compensate the Sheriff of the county of Wilkes and his deputies, for summoning Jurors and attending the Courts of said county.—The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate the Saint Mary's Railroad Company, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to give owners of livery stables the same lien upon horses that tavern keepers now have, and to give all masons or workmen connected with cutting marble in this State a lien upon the same. The same was indefinitely postponed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Lamar in Baker county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Weston. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary of DeKalb county to pay the teacher of the poor children of said county the balance in his hands of the money appropriated for the year 1855. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to declare and define the jurisdiction of Courts of Ordinary in this State, and for other purposes therein mentioned. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the

of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Morgan in Calhoun county, and appoint Commissioners for the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize Asa Houston Langston of Hart county to practise medicine in this State, and receive and collect the usual fees for the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to repeal an act defining the duty of the Inferior Courts in relation to building bridges, so far as relates to Jackson county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to consolidate the offices of Tax Collector and Receiver of Tax Returns for the county of Fannin. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate the Fort Gaines Bridge Company, and to punish those who may wilfully impair the same. The same was amended,

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to add an additional section to an act to incorporate the Georgia and Florida Steam Packet Company, approved February 18th, 1854, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to alter the liability of certain persons acting in a fiduciary character.. The same was laid on the table for the balance of the Session.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate the Commercial Bank of Brunswick. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate Laurens Lodge No. 75 of Free and Accepted Masons of Laurens county. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act declaring who shall be competent witnesses in the Courts of law and equity in this State, and for other purposes therein mentioned.—

The same was laid on the table for the balance of the Session.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to raise the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace.

Mr. Terhune moved to except the county of Floyd from the operation of the same, and upon this question, he required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 17, nays 60.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Boyd,	Murphy,	Solomon,
Crook,	Paris,	Terhune,
Dawson,	Phillips,	Tharpe,
Johnson of Cass,	Rumph,	Watts,
Lawton,	Sapp,	Williams.
Lewis of Hancock,	Sharman,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Graham,	McCants,
Barron,	Griffeth,	McClary,
Battle,	Harrell,	McLean,
Bird,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Montgomery,
Bradford,	Harrison,	Myers,
Brown of Burke,	Haynie,	Peterson,
Brown of Camden,	Headen,	Phinizy,
Brown of Talbot,	Henderson,	Pickett,
Browning,	Hoyle,	Powell,
Burnett,	Hudson of Gwin'tt	Pruitt,
Butts,	Hughes,	Simmons,
Cannon,	Johnson of Carroll,	Slocumb,
Carlton,	Johnson of Elbert,	Smith of Hancock
Connally,	Jones of Warren,	Smith of Union,
Cornwell,	Julian,	Spinks,
Cottle,	Kilgore,	Tatom,
Davis of Polk,	King of Fayette,	Wood,
Durden,	Kirkpatrick,	Ward,
Faulk,	Lane,	Whitworth.
Gordon,	Maynor,	Wyun,

So the same was not received.

The bill was then, on motion of Mr. Harris of Fulton, so amended as to require Justices of the Peace to give bond in the sum of five hundred dollars, &c.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to incorporate the city of Americus in the county of Sumter. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act for the perpetuation of

testimony in certain cases. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to allow executors, administrators and guardians resident in other States or Territories, to control stocks and money in this State, and to empower trustees to dispose of stocks. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to repeal an act to require Tax Receivers to ascertain the number of children in their several counties between the ages of eight and sixteen, &c. The same was laid on the table for the balance of the Session.

The House adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The following report was made by the Committee on Enrolment:

The following bills of the Senate have been duly enrolled and are ready for the signature of the Speaker and Clerk of the House—

An act to prohibit the payment of storage on cotton in the city of Columbus by farmers after selling from their wagons.

An act to incorporate the Athens Gas Light Company.

An act to empower the Judge of the Superior Courts of the Western Circuit to hold the fall term of the Superior Court of Jackson county two weeks in certain cases.

An act to manumit a negro man slave named Boston, the property of E. B. Way, Catherine P. Wheeler, Thomas B. Wheeler, H. R. Wheeler, and Eugene Baker of the State of Georgia and county of Liberty, and John Savage of the county of Chatham, and State aforesaid.

An act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of certain counties herein named to levy an extra tax upon certain conditions, and for other purposes.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize Edmund M. Butler, Guardian, to sell the lands and negroes belonging to his ward, Hannah Butler, a deaf and dumb female.—The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill to be entitled an act to authorize James O. Hunt of the county of Harris to practise medicine, and charge and col-

lect fees for the same. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to provide for the more effectual execution of the provisions of an act to prohibit the sale of deadly weapons, and for other purposes. The same was laid on the table.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act for the better defining the duties of the Inferior Court of Thomas county as to bridges and public work, and pedlers, &c. The same was amended.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary, Acting Commissioner of the Poor School Fund in the several counties herein named, to pay all bills presented for the tuition of poor children in said counties entitled and not returned as entitled to the benefits of said poor school fund. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed under the title thereof.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to lay out and organize a new county from the county of Franklin.

Mr. Dawson moved the indefinite postponement of the same, and upon this motion Mr. Milledge required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 49, nays 33.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Rozier,
Bartlett,	Harrison,	Rumph,
Battle,	Hill,	Sharman,
Brown of Burke,	Hudson of Harris,	Solomon,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Cass,	Smith of Bryan,
Brown of Talbot,	Jones of Warren,	Smith of Hancock,
Burnett,	King of Fayette,	Spinks,
Butts,	Lane	Tatom,
Calloway,	Lawton,	Taylor,
Causey,	Lewis of Greene,	Tharpe,
Cottle,	Lewis of Hancock,	Thornton,
Dawson,	McCants,	Ward,
Faulk,	McLean,	Warthen,
Felton,	Montgomery,	Watts,
Gordon,	Murphy,	Williams
Guyton,	Peterson,	Wynn.
Harris of Dough'ty,		

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Barrett,	Barron,	Bird,
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Boyd,	Hudson of Gwinnett	Paris,
Browning,	Johnson of Carroll	Phillips,
Caldwell of Walker,	Johnson of Elbert,	Pickett,
Cannon,	Julian,	Pruitt,
Carlton,	Kilgore,	Reid.
Connally,	Maynor,	Simmons,
Cooper,	McClary,	Slocumb,
Crook,	M'Connel of Gordon	Smith of Union,
Graham,	Milledge,	Wood,
Haynie,	Myers,	Whitworth,
Headen,		

So the motion prevailed.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has concurred in the amendments of the House of Representatives to the following bills of the Senate, to-wit :

A bill altering and amending the first section of the third article of the Constitution of this State.

A bill incorporating the Welaka Steamboat Company.

A bill incorporating Cartersville Lodge and Oak Bowery Lodge No. 81 of Free and Accepted Masons.

A bill incorporating the Bank of Madison.

A bill authorizing the Inferior Court of Glynn county to have copies of the original records transcribed and to legalize the same.

A bill for the relief of Robert G. Ford of the county of Worth

A bill for the relief of certain persons therein named.

A bill authorizing Wm. B. Wofford to build and keep a mill-dam across the Conasauga River on his own land in the county of Murray.

A bill to facilitate and expedite the collection of debts due by corporations, joint stock companies, and for other purposes therein named.

Also, passed the following bills of the House of Representatives :

A bill to explain and supplementary to an act to authorize the Inferior Court of the county of Washington to levy and collect an extra tax for the purpose of building a Court house and Jail, assented to Dec. 22d, 1855.

A bill to be entitled an act to compel all incorporated mining companies of this State to give in and pay taxes on their stock in the counties where the mines are located.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a company in the county of Columbia and State of Georgia, to be known by the name and style of the Columbia Mining Company, and to grant certain privileges thereto, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

They have also passed the following bill of the House of

Representatives with amendments, in which they ask their concurrence, to-wit :

A bill appropriating money for certain purposes therein named.

They also adhere to their disagreement to the amendment of the House to the bill of the Senate authorizing J. M. Goss to practise medicine on the eclectic system.

Also, disagree to the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to the bill of the House removing the Penitentiary of this State, and to appropriate money for the same.

They have also appointed a Committee of Conference, consisting of Messrs. Renfro, Knight, and Harris of Worth, in relation to the disagreements between the two Houses to the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill of the Senate adding lots of land numbers 117 and 118 in the 6th dist. of Irwin county to the county of Worth.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives—

An act to authorize the Inferior Court of Effingham county to order the payment of the Superintendents, Clerks, and those who consolidated the returns of elections of said county for their services.

An act to appropriate money for the benefit of the Georgia Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb, and for other purposes.

An act for the relief of James Roundtree of the county of Fulton, and James Suggs of the county of Randolph.

An act to incorporate the Lincoln County Mining Company.

An act to incorporate the Garnett Hill Mining Company.

An act to incorporate the Columbus Savings and Mutual Loan Association.

An act to authorize Thomas R. Gibbs, an infirm man, to peddle without paying for license.

An act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Charlton county to examine and allow to the Tax Collector of said county his insolvent list

An act to amend the road laws of this State, so far as relates to the county of Glynn.

An act to incorporate the North Georgia Mining Company.

An act to consolidate the offices of Tax Receiver and Tax Collector of the county of Worth.

An act for the relief of Susan Murray of the county of Charlton.

An act to amend an act to authorize certain persons therein named to clear out and improve the navigation of the Chattahoochee river above the Western and Atlantic Rail-

road, and for other purposes therein named, approved Jan. 12th, 1852.

An act to authorize Uriah Evans of the county of Twiggs and others therein named, to peddle without license.

An act to incorporate Salt Springs Academy in Campbell county, and to appoint trustees for the same.

An act to ratify the organization of the 1st Regiment, 1st Brigade, 1st Division, Georgia Militia, and to make valid the election of the officers of the same, and for other purposes therein named.

An act to amend an act to incorporate the Ogeechee Plank Road Company, and for other purposes therein named, approved January 22d, 1852.

An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate a company in the county of Columbia and State of Georgia, to be known by the name and style of the Columbia Mining Company, and to grant certain privileges thereto, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An act for the relief of Rachel Holloman, wife of Wm. Holloman, of the county of Carroll, and Martha E. Alford, wife of James A. J. Alford, of Troup county.

An act to alter, amend and enlarge an act entitled an act to ascertain, dispose of and appropriate the ungranted lands in the county of Chatham, and to vest the same in certain charitable societies, and for other purposes.

An act for the relief of Crawford H. Little, Tax Collector of the county of Franklin.

An act for the relief of Archer Griffith of Oglethorpe county, and to authorize him to pay taxes in Oglethorpe county upon property owned by him in Madison county.

An act to incorporate the town of Jackson in the county of Camden, and for other purposes.

An act to incorporate the Rome Foundry and Machine Company.

An act to extend the limits of the incorporation of the village of Cave Spring, and for other purposes hereafter mentioned.

An act to add a part of originally Union county to the county of Gilmer, and to change the lines between the counties of Spalding and Pike, and to add a part of the county of Pike to the county of Spalding.

An act to prevent the felling in of timber or otherwise obstructing Mountain Town Creek, so as to cause drifts.

An act to appropriate money to the legal representatives of James M. Kelly, and for other purposes herein mentioned.

An act to authorize the Governor and Controller General to correct mistakes of Receivers and Collectors of taxes, or of any tax payer, whereby more money is paid into the Treasury than is required by law, to refund the same, and

the Governor to draw his warrant on the Treasury for said amounts ; the Comptroller to settle up the business of his office of other years ; the Inferior Courts or Grand Juries to allow insolvent lists before the fifteenth of December of each year, Tax Collectors to pay their county taxes by the 20th of December of each year ; Comptroller to settle up the old and unfinished business of his office, his duty therein, making out digests, to make indexes to the books of his office, his compensation therefor, and for collections of debts due previous to 1855, and enter Tax Collectors' bonds in a book and file them

Mr. Lawton presented a resolution requiring the Clerk to inform the Senate that the House will be ready to adjourn sine die on to-morrow at two o'clock P M. The same was taken, up, read and agreed to.

The Committee on Journals beg leave to report that they have examined and compared the Journals with the records, and take pleasure in bearing testimony to the neatness, accuracy, fidelity and ability which the Clerks of this department have discharged their duty. And without instituting invidious distinctions, we have no hesitancy in saying that the Record submitted to our inspection is not only unsurpassed in beauty, style and penmanship, but in the judgment of this Committee, unequalled by any Record previously presented to this Branch of the General Assembly. Your Committee recommend, in consequence of the accumulated mass of business yet to be recorded in that office, which will require two large Journals, including full and complete index, the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Recording Clerks of the House of Representatives be allowed thirty days to record the unfinished business, and twenty days to make the necessary Index to the same.

The same was taken up, read and agreed to.

Mr. Terhune, of the Enrolling Committee, reports the following bills as duly enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, to wit :

An act to authorize Tax Collectors to issue summons of garnishment in certain cases, and to regulate the same, and for other purposes.

An act for the relief of Harriet A. Boyd of Cobb county.

An act to establish and organize a Court in the cities of Columbus, Macon, Atlanta and Rome, and to define its jurisdiction.

An act limiting the time in which suits in Courts of law in this State must be brought, and also limiting the time in which indictments are to be found and prosecuted in certain cases, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

The House took up the report of the committee on the

bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to define the liability of the several railroad companies of this State for injuries to persons or property, to prescribe in what counties they may be sued and how served with process.

Before any definite action on the same, the House adjourned until 7 o'clock P. M.

SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and postponed the consideration of the unfinished business of the afternoon until to-morrow.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to add an additional section to the Penal Code. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and lost.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to define the duties of all railroad companies in this State in reference to bills and freight lists, and for other purposes. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act for the relief of persons legally divorced from the bonds of matrimony in this State. The same was laid on the table for the balance of the session.

The House took up the resolution of the Senate relative to furnishing the Inferior Court of Jackson five copies of Cobb's Analysis and Forms for the use of the Justices of the Peace and Clerk. The same was amended by the House and concurred in.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and committed for a third reading, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to simplify the method of carrying cases to the Supreme Court, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act incorporating the city of Rome.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker—

An act to authorize Ransom Rogers, sen., of the county of Scriven, and Claiborn H. Jones of the county of Upson, to practice medicine and charge therefor.

An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate a company in the county of Columbia and State of Georgia, to be known by the name and style of the Columbia Mining Company, and to grant certain privileges to the same, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An act to incorporate the Macon Savings Bank.

An act to incorporate the Finch Mining Company of Cherokee county, Georgia, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An act to incorporate the American Mining Company.

An act for the relief of Edward Stanfield of Henry county.

An act to compel the mining companies of this State to give in and pay taxes on their stock in the counties where the mines are located.

An act to incorporate the Southwestern Electro Magnetic Telegraph Company.

An act to extend the provisions of an act to amend the several acts now in force regulating the fees of magistrates and constables in the State of Georgia, so far as relates to the counties of Bibb, Richmond, Monroe and Lee, and to provide for the mode of collecting the same, approved January 22d, 1852, to the county of Fulton.

An act to amend the third section of an act entitled an act to amend the several acts relating to the Court of Common Pleas and of Oyer and Terminer of the city of Savannah, and for other purposes, approved 9th December, 1853, and for other purposes therein named.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled, signed by the President of the Senate and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House—

An act to incorporate a bank in the town of Greensboro', to be called the Bank of Greensboro'.

An act to incorporate a bank in the town of Bainbridge, to be called the Southern Bank of Georgia.

An act to change the time of holding the Court of Ordinary of Scriven county.

An act to make valid certain surveys, warrants and grants, and to authorize certain grants to issue.

An act to compensate the grand jurors of Baker county.

An act to incorporate a town to be called Warsaw.

An act for the relief of Barnard Dyson of Fulton.

An act to elect the Attorney General for the Middle Circuit, and the Solicitors General by the people.

An act for the relief of the representatives and securities of Tax Collectors in certain cases, and for other purposes.

An act to protect the citizens of the counties of Worth, Richmond, Clinch, Berrien and Bryan from the injurious consequences of camp-hunting by non-residents.

An act to authorize Isaac C. Loller to build and keep a mill-dam across the Conasauga river.

An act for the relief of certain teachers of poor children in the county of Decatur, and for other purposes.

An act to prevent fraudulent surveys of land in the counties of Camden and Effingham.

An act to change the line between the counties of Richmond and Columbia.

An act to legalize and make valid two charters gramed by the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Columbus for plank roads in said city.

The following Message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has concurred in the amendments of the House of Representatives to the following bills of the Senate, to-wit :

A bill to limit the time of service of Grand and Petit Jurors in the City Court of Savannah, and to exempt the Keepers of Laurel Grove Cemetery and the Catholic Cemetery near the city of Savannah from service on Juries of the Superior Court and the City Court of Savannah.

A bill for the relief of Robert G. Ford of the county of Worth.

A bill to authorize the Gainesville and Chattahoochee Ridge Railroad Companies to consolidate their charters and make them uniform, and to increase and fix the amount of their capital ; also, to incorporate the Eatonton and Madison Railroad Company.

The Senate has passed the following bills of the House of Representatives with amendments, in which they ask the concurrence of the House, to-wit :

A bill to change the time of holding the Superior and Inferior Courts in the county of Carroll.

A bill to authorize the Inferior Court of Gwinnett county to pay the Sheriffs of said county for summoning Jurors and waiting upon the Courts, and for other purposer.

The Senate has also passed the following bills of the House of Representatives, to-wit :

A bill to allow any joint tenant, tenant in common, or other person having a part interest in lands or tenements to maintain a separate action of ejectment or trespass, and for other purposes.

A bill to incorporate the Mockerson Turnpike in the county of Rabun, and to grant certain privileges to the same.

A bill to allow practising Attorneys to serve as Justices of the Peace in Burke county.

A bill to incorporate the Lookout Railroad Company, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to incorporate the Cherokee Georgia Baptist Convention, to confer upon said corporation certain powers therein named, and for other purposes.

A bill for the relief of Osborn J. Register of Fulton county.

A bill to appropriate money for the payment of the claim of Thomas E. Patton, assignee of Thomas E. Brice.

A bill to give to defendants damages for frivolous suits against them.

A bill to repeal the 7th section of an act entitled an act to amend the road and patrol laws of this State, so far as re-

lates to the county of Effingham, assented to 9th December 1843.

A bill to change the time of holding the Inferior Courts of the county of Catoosa.

A bill to incorporate the town of White Plains in Greene county, and to confer upon the citizens of said town the privilege of electing Town Commissioners, with certain powers herein enumerated, and to amend the act incorporating the town of Washington in the county of Wilkes.

A bill to incorporate the Island Creek Academy in the county of Hancock.

A bill to give any Company the right to construct a bridge across the Chattahoochee river in the counties of Fulton and Cobb, upon the old piers upon which the Western and Atlantic Railroad was built, which may be incorporated by the Inferior Courts of said counties, or either of them, on certain conditions.

A bill to authorize the Governor to call a Convention upon certain contingences therein specified.

A bill to ratify the incorporation of Atlanta Loan and Building Association, and to legalize the acts thereof.

A bill to appoint Trustees for Hall County Academy.

A bill to incorporate the town of Fort Valley in the county of Houston, and to provide for the election of Commissioners for the same.

A bill to incorporate the Atlanta Male College, and appoint Trustees for the same.

A bill to provide for the selection of Grand and Petit Jurors in certain cases.

A bill to punish any person or persons obstructing Bull Creek in the county of Tattnall.

A bill to change the lines between the counties of Heard and Troup.

A bill to authorize the Board of Commissioners of Public Roads of the county of Bryan to carry on and transact business under certain circumstances, and for other purposes.

A bill to incorporate the Needle Woman's Friend Society in the city of Savannah.

A bill to give further time for holding the Superior Courts of Sumter, Lee, Dougherty and Baker counties.

A bill supplementary to an act to authorize the selection and permanent location of a county site in the county of Wayne, to authorize the building of a new court-house and levying of an extra tax, and for other purposes therein specified, approved 23d January, 1856.

A bill to appoint Trustees to the Carrollton Male and Female Academies in the county [of Carroll,] and for other purposes.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Union, the House refused to

recede from their amendment to the bill proposing the removal of the Penitentiary of this State.

The House took up the Senate amendments to the bill of the House to be entitled an act to appropriate money for certain purposes therein named. Upon the question of concurring in the amendment appropriating twenty-hundred dollars to the Penitentiary, the yeas and nays were required to be recorded., and are yeas 41, nays 34.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Barron,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Peterson.
Bird,	Harrison,	Phinizy,
Boyd,	Headen,	Pickett,
Brown of Camden,	Hill,	Reid,
Brown of Talbot,	Hudson of Harris,	Rozier,
Burnett,	Johnson of Elbert,	Slocumb,
Butts,	Jones of Warren,	Solomon,
Calloway,	Kirkpatrick,	Smith of Bryan,
Causey,	Lawton,	Smith of Hancock,
Cannon,	Lewis of Hancock,	Terhune,
Dozier,	McCants,	Tharpe,
Faulk,	McClary,	Warthen,
Felton,	McLean,	Williams.
Graham,	Myers,	

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Johnson of Carroll,	Phillips,
Barrett,	Johnson of Cass,	Pruitt,
Browning,	Julian,	Sapp,
Caldwell of Walker,	King of Fayette,	Sharman,
Carlton,	Lane,	Simmons,
Connally,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Union,
Durden,	Maynor,	Spinks,
Gordon,	Milledge,	Thornton,
Harris of Fulton,	Montgomery.	Wood,
Haynie,	Murphy,	Ward,
Hoyle,	Paris,	Whitworth,
Hudson of Gwinnett		

So the same was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, the amendments of the Senate were amended by appropriated to Jackson T. Taylor, Journalizing Clerk of the House of Representatives, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars additional compensation.

The House took up the amendment to the bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of Gwinnett county to pay the Sheriffs of said county for summoning Jurors and waiting upon the Courts, and for other purposes. The same was concurred in.

Mr. Terhune, from the Committee on Enrolment, reports as duly enrolled, signed by the President of the Senate and

ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives—

An act to amend the charter of the Southern Mutual Insurance Company, and to transfer certain stock, with the dividends due and unpaid thereon, to the Samaritan Society of the city of Augusta.

An act to limit the time of service of grand and petit jurors in the City Court of Savannah, and to exempt the keepers of Laurel Grove Cemetery and the Catholic Cemetery near the city of Savannah, from service on the juries of the Inferior Court and the City Court of Savannah; also to authorize the Judge of the City Court of Savannah to have an additional number of jurors summoned, and for other purposes.

A resolution in relation to John B. Beall of the county of Carroll.

A resolution in relation to the establishment of a mail route.

A resolution in relation to the distribution of books.

A resolution appointing E. Y. Hill of Troup, J. T. Irvin of Wilkes, and A. J. Lawson of Burke to cast the vote of the State for Directors of Atlantic and Gulf Railroad.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives—

An act to consolidate the offices of Tax Collector and Receiver of Tax Returns for the county of Fannin.

An act to amend the the several laws now of force in reference to the public printer.

An act to explain and supplementary to an act entitled an act to authorize the Inferior Court of the county of Washington to levy and collect an extra tax for the purpose of building a Court-house and Jail, assented to Dec. 22d, 1855.

An act to appropriate money for the payment of the claim of Thos. E. Patton, assignee of Thomas Brice.

Mr. Phillips presented a resolution relative to the forfeiture of the charter of the Rabun Gap Railroad, which was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The House adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, MARCH 1st, 1856.

9½ O'CLOCK, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The House concurred in the Senate amendments to the following bill of the House, viz:

A bill to be entitled an act to charter the Exchange Bank of Georgia at Griffin.

The House then took up the unfinished business of yesterday, which is a bill to be entitled an act to define the liability of the several railroad companies of this State for injuries to persons or property, to prescribe in what counties they may be sued and how served with process.

Upon the motion to postpone indefinitely, Mr. Lawton required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 27, nays 50.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Bradford,	Hughes,	Powell,
Brown of Burke,	Johnson of Carroll,	Reid,
Brown of Camden,	Jones of Warren,	Rumph,
Browning,	Lawton,	Smith of Union,
Burnett,	Lewis of Hancock,	Terhune,
Butts,	Milledge,	Thornton
Dozier,	Myers,	Wood,
Harris of Meriwe'r,	Paris,	Warthen,
Harrison,	Phillips,	Williams,

Those who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Avery,	Harris of Fulton,	McLean,
Barrett,	Headen,	Montgomery,
Barron,	Henderson,	Murphy,
Battle,	Hill,	Peterson,
Bird,	Hudson of Gwin'tt,	Phinizy,
Boyd,	Hudson of Harris,	Pickett,
Brown of Talbot,	Johnson of Cass,	Sapp,
Cannon,	Johnson of Elbert	Sharman,
Connally,	Julian,	Simmons,
Causey,	King of Fayette,	Slocumb,
Cottle,	Kirkpatrick,	Solomon,
Dawson,	Lane,	Smith of Bryan,
Faulk,	Lewis of Greene,	Smith of Hancock,
Felton,	Matthews,	Taylor,
Gordon,	Maynor,	Ward,
Graham,	McCants,	Whitworth,
Graybill,	McClary,	

So the motion was lost.

The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and on the question of its passage Mr. Lawton required the yeas and nays to be recorded. There are yeas 55, nays 20.

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Avery,	Brown of Talbot,	Faulk,
Barrett,	Cannon,	Felton,
Barron,	Connally,	Gordon,
Battle,	Causey,	Graham,
Bird,	Cottle,	Graybill,
Boyd,	Dawson,	Harris of Fulton,

Haynie,	Matthews,	Sharman,
Headen, .	Maynor,	Simmons,
Henderson,	McCants,	Slocumb,
Hill,	McClary,	Solomon,
Hudson of Gwin'tt,	McLean,	Smith of Bryan,
Hudson of Harris,	Montgomery,	Smith of Hancock,
Johnson of Cass,	Murphy,	Spinks,
Johnson of Elbert,	Myers,	Taylor,
Julian,	Peterson,	Tharpe,
King of Fayette,	Phinizy,	Wood,
Kirkpatrick,	Pickett,	Ward,
Lane,	Rumph,	Whitworth,
Lewis of Greene,	Sapp,	

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Bradford,	Harris of Meriwet'r,	Paris,
Brown of Burke,	Harrison,	Phillips,
Brown of Camden,	Johnson of Carroll,	Powell,
Browning,	Jones of Warren,	Reid,
Burnett,	Lawton,	Smith of Union,
Butts,	Lewis of Hancock,	Terhune,
Dozier,	Milledge,	Williams.

So the bill was passed.

The following Message was received from his Excellency the Governor, by Mr. Briscoe, his Secretary, which was on motion taken up, read, and one hundred and sixty copies ordered to be printed:

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by his Excellency the Governor to lay before this branch of the General Assembly a message in writing with accompanying document:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
MILLEDGEVILLE, GEO., March 1., 1856. }

To the House of Representatives:

The Bill, originating in the House, and passed by both Branches of the General Assembly, to authorize the construction of a railroad "from some point in the county of Union or in the county of Fannin, which may be agreed upon by the Directors, or a majority of them hereinafter mentioned, running up the valley of Little Hightower river in the county of Union, to connect with the Northeastern Railroad (now contemplated) in the county of Rabun or Habersham, or with some other railroad or contemplated railroad, and to grant corporate powers and privileges to the same," has been laid before me for Executive sanction.

I regret that an imperative sense of duty compels me to withhold my approval of the bill. Even upon questions involving constitutional power, it is unpleasant to differ with the General Assembly; it is more unpleasant to differ upon grounds of mere public policy; and in this case my embarrassment is increased by the reflection, that the refusal of

executive sanction will carry disappointment to a portion of my fellow-citizens, who, doubtless, take a lively interest in the contemplated enterprise, and whose welfare I would gladly promote by any co-operation compatible with public duty. Such, however, are my convictions of the fatal consequences which must necessarily follow the construction of the Railroad contemplated by this charter, that I cannot hesitate.

After much deliberation, I defined clearly my position in relation to our system of State internal improvements, in my message to the General Assembly at the beginning of the present session. I said: "To comprehend fully their legitimate scope of action, the Legislature should assume a lofty stand-point, from which they can survey the whole field. Holding in her hand the key which opens the Atlantic to the West, the State should so use her power as to force, by a compulsion mutually advantageous, the travel and produce which seek the ship, to become tributary to her own wealth, prosperity and greatness. Looking to this as the light to guide her general policy, she should likewise, as the proximate motive of action, keep in view the development of her natural resources, and the advancement of the people in all the elements of the highest and best civilization. Hence the paramount necessity of well-defined and well-regulated system in our scheme of internal improvements. It does not follow that a charter for a railroad must be granted, as a matter of course, when asked. An enlightened Legislature, comprehending fully the system, its design, and what is best calculated to advance the general welfare, will enquire whether the charter asked is in harmony with that system, what will be the bearings of its connections without the State, what its effect in developing our resources, and what its relations to other works under which large interests have become, or are likely to become involved and invested. The system in Georgia, though in its infancy, is yet sufficiently advanced to indicate the ultimate shape which it is likely to assume. On her eastern border, she has three points which have formed, or are seeking to form, connections with the various sections internal and external, whose productions will foster their growth and prosperity. These points are Augusta, Savannah and Brunswick. The two former are connected with Tennessee and Alabama by roads completed; and the latter possessing a harbor unsurpassed by any on the Atlantic coast south of the Chesapeake, and flanked by an extensive territory, covered by the best pine field in the world, and of wonderful agricultural fertility, seeks a connection with the vast region that skirts the Gulf of Mexico. In a word, these three cities form the basis of our system, and the lines through the State, which connect or propose to connect them, with her own great divisions within

and exhaustless feeders without, constitute its frame work or skeleton. Its symmetrical completion should both define and limit the policy of Legislative action."

I will now add that our scheme of internal improvement is not only stamped with the symmetry of **SYSTEM**, but with the forecast of palpable **DESIGN**. The one is shadowed forth in the above extract from my biennial message, and the other is pointed out with the unerring certainty of an index finger, by the geographical position of Georgia. Spanning from the Atlantic to the Southern spur of the Alleghany mountains, she forms the neck of a mighty cornucopia, whose larger end extends to the embrasure of the vast valleys which are fertilized by the washings from the eastern slope of the Rocky Mountains. Hence the design of our system is, that this boundless territory of teeming production, in seeking the commercial marts of the world, shall pour through our own State, and be emptied into her own cities and seaports. Where is the Georgian whose bosom does not expand with pride, as he contemplates this picture of grandeur, and the glorious prospect of the future? Shall our State fulfil her mission of prosperity and power, or will she, by improvident legislation, throw away the controlling advantages of her position which have been so liberally bestowed by a beneficent Providence? Never, never; but let her, I repeat, "so use her power as to force, by a compulsion mutually advantageous, the travel and produce which seek the ship, to become tributary to her own wealth, prosperity and greatness." Such is the *system*, and such the *design* of our system of internal improvements; and in my humble judgment, the bill under consideration is incompatible with both.

1. It is not in harmony with our system. It authorizes "the building of a railroad from some point in the county of Union, or in the county of Fannin, which may be agreed upon by the Directors of said railroad, or a majority of them hereinafter mentioned, running up the valley of Little Hightower river in the county of Union, to connect with the Northeastern Railroad (now contemplated in the county of Rabun or Habersham,) or with some other railroad or contemplated railroad." Hence, its western terminus is evidently to be on the Tennessee line in the vicinity of the Duck Town Mines. Where will be its eastern terminus? That will be fixed, of course, by the capital that will be invested in its construction. The bill contemplates that it will require two million of dollars to build this road. From whence is this capital to come? Does any reasonable man believe it can be furnished by the counties of Fannin, Union, and Rabun? It must come then from Charleston and those engaged in the copper mining at Duck Town; and being thus derived, it will fix its eastern terminus at the most favorable point of connection with the Rabun Gap Railroad.

Therefore, so far from being in harmony with the system of Georgia Internal Improvements, it will not even be part and parcel of it. It will form a portion of the scheme of Internal improvements which South Carolina is prosecuting with such commendable zeal. It will also form a part of the Internal Improvement system of Tennessee. A road is chartered, and now under contract, from Chattanooga to Cleveland in Tennessee, let the proposed Hiwassee Road be constructed to the Duck Town Mines, and you will, at once, see a road from Cleveland to connect with it, thus making it the bond of Union between the works of Tennessee and South Carolina. In a word, no candid mind can resist the conviction that the Hiwassee road will complete the direct connection between Memphis and Charleston. It is not a Georgia enterprise, but time will show, if this charter be allowed, that Georgia territory is used for the purpose of promoting other interests at the expense of her own.

2. The construction of the proposed Hiwassee road is incompatible with the great design of our system of Internal Improvements. That *design* is to give such direction to our railroad enterprises, as to cause freight and travel to pass thro' Georgia, with a view of building up our own cities and seaports, enhancing the value of our lands, and causing our capital to yield remunerating interest. Hence, you find all our lines of railroad taking a southeasterly direction, so as to bring the freight and travel from every quarter to the three cities I have named, as forming the basis of our system. Hence also, you find all our branch roads and connecting links located with reference to the same object.—Whereas the road under consideration looks to a different direction. Its connections eastward and westward will necessarily make it the means of diverting travel and freights away from Georgia, to the cities and seaports of South Carolina.

Having shown that the road proposed by this charter is inconsistent with both the system and design of our Internal Improvements, permit me to invite your attention to the irreparable injury which it will inflict upon great interests of Georgia, which may not be disregarded by an enlightened Legislature.

1. Its effect upon the Western and Atlantic Railroad would be disastrous. There is a single article of shipment, which it would cut off from the State Road, that, of itself, ought to be sufficient to consign it to final condemnation. I allude to copper. The amount received during the last year for the transportation of copper ore over the Western and Atlantic Railroad, must have been nearly or quite \$25,000. That business is yet in its infancy, and future years must bring a largely increased revenue from this source.—But this charter proposes to build a road from the Copper

mines, which will make the South Carolina roads the means by which it will find its shipping at Charleston. Are you prepared to surrender this source of profit to our State road?

I have said that the grand design of our Internal Improvements is to make the boundless productions of the great West tributary to the wealth and prosperity of Georgia. To effect this, the State has expended nearly 6,000,000 in the construction of the Western and Atlantic Railroad. She wisely tapped this fertile region at Chattanooga, which is the most favorable point near the termination of the great mountain chain, to meet the converging lines which penetrate the Mississippi Valley and Eastern and Middle Tennessee. That is the point at which the State Road must ever receive the freights on which it must mainly rely for a profitable business. This is the point of competition, and the geographical position of the State is such, that her road, without her consent, never can have a formidable rival.—The productions west of that point are seeking the Atlantic. Now they are compelled to pass over our road in going either to Savannah or Charleston. Looking to the enterprises now in contemplation, a great line may be expected, at no very distant day, from Chattanooga to Chesapeake Bay. This will be a competitor, but not fearfully formidable. In an hour of thoughtless generosity, our Legislature granted the Rabun Gap charter, which gives Charleston a line through Georgia to Knoxville. When completed this will be another rival to our State Road, but perhaps not one that can supplant us at Chattanooga. Without our consent we never can have any others. But the bill under consideration proposes to make the latter a competitor, which will be most formidable, if not ruinous to our State Road, by making a connected line at Chattanooga through Rabun Gap to Charleston.

It will not be denied, other things being equal, that freight will take the shortest line to the sea. The Road proposed by this charter will inevitably result not only, as I have before shown, in a *connected line* from Charleston to Chattanooga through the Rabun Gap, but a *shorter line* than the route over the Western and Atlantic Railroad. I have before me the latest edition of *Disturnell's Railway and Seamship Guide*, published for March, 1856. It is doubtless as reliable as any work of the kind can be, and certainly sufficiently accurate for the purpose in hand. According to this work, the distances are as follows:

From Charleston to Columbia it is 128 miles.

From Columbia to Anderson it is 127 miles.

In a right line from Anderson by Clayton and Cleveland to Chattanooga, it is 160 miles.

So that from Chattanooga to Charleston "by this South Carolina route," it is 415 miles.

From Charleston to Augusta it is 137 miles.

From Augusta to Atlanta it is 171 miles, and

From Atlanta to Chattanooga 135 miles, making from Chattanooga to Charleston, 416 miles by the Georgia line, showing a difference in distance of thirty-one miles in favor of the Charleston route by way of Clayton and Cleveland.—This comparison is based upon the supposition that the South Carolina route will run from Charleston by Columbia, Anderson, Rabun Gap and Cleveland to Chattanooga. It will, however, be shortened by the proposed road from Aiken to Anderson, thus making the competition still more ruinous to the Western and Atlantic Railroad. I do feel that there is nothing to warrant us thus to put in jeopardy this great road, built at such an immense cost by the common treasury of the people. As the guardians of the people's welfare, we are bound to protect this valuable State property from destruction. If the South Carolina line were equal to or even a little longer than the Georgia line, we should be compelled to reduce the rates of freight to a point which would leave but a small margin for nett profits. How then can we bear the competition of a shorter line? Shall we invite it by our legislation, when we have it in our power to prevent it forever?

From the direction which public opinion is taking in Georgia, in reference to the Western and Atlantic Railroad, it is probable, that at no distant day, our successors will offer it for sale. Six million of dollars is now the lowest sum for which any man proposes to sell it; in a few years it will be worth and will bring eight millions, if you will not fetter it with embarrassing legislation, or build up a great rival for the benefit of other States. But what will it command in market, if you allow a shorter line to Charleston, by the way of Cleveland and Rabun Gap?

2. If the construction of the Hiwassee Road should not defeat all our contemplated roads in Northeastern Georgia, it will certainly give a wrong direction to the development of the resources of that section. In my judgment, it must inevitably do the one or the other. You have chartered a Road from Athens to Clayton, but where would be the inducement to complete the Northeastern Railroad? Its stock would be valueless. It would command no freight from East Tennessee and North Carolina, it would be diverted to Charleston. You have chartered a railroad from the copper mines to Marietta or some point between Marietta and Calhoun. But what would be the inducement to build the Ellijay Road? The same remark is equally applicable to the Road which you have chartered from Clarksville through the Hightower Gap to the copper mines; and indeed every road contemplated in that whole division of the State.

But suppose it should not have this effect upon those enterprizes; suppose that some of them should be completed, and that through their instrumentality, Northeastern Georgia should be developed; what then might we expect?—Inevitably, that region of the State, instead of being tributary to Georgia, would transport the great bulk of its productions by the South Carolina route. The interest and welfare of Northeastern Georgia does not require legislation, which will lead to such results. It may be, to say the least, as well protected by a policy in harmony with the system and design of our scheme of internal improvements.

3. The construction of the proposed Hiwassee Road would inflict serious detriment, not only upon the immense amount of capital invested in the Western & Atlantic Railroad, but also upon our great lines, that either directly or indirectly connect with it. The State Road has cost about \$6,000,000. It is a great feeder to the Georgia Railroad, which has cost \$4,000,000, to the Waynesboro road which has cost about \$1,100,000, to the Macon & Western road, which has cost about \$1,100,000, and to the Central road which has cost about \$4,000,000. So that we have invested in these works, in round numbers, \$16,200,000. Our people have laid down their money in good faith for the construction of these roads. They have operated most beneficially upon the wealth and prosperity of the State, and placed her in advance of all her sister Southern States. Now, if the contemplated Hiwassee road would tend still to advance the great interests of Georgia, it would be some compensation for the injury it would do to these great enterprizes, and would furnish some justification for the sanction of this charter. But instead of this, it would divert to the South Carolina route, much the larger portion of the freights, on which those heavy investments are dependant, and lamentably depreciate their value. I have too much respect for the intelligence of the General Assembly, to advance an argument to show, that any act of legislation is unwise, which will put in jeopardy \$16,200,000 of the capital of the people. It is equally unnecessary to advance proof, that whatever would cripple the efficiency of the Roads, constructed on the idea of Legislative consistency and good faith, would be a great public calamity.

It is no reply to this view, to urge that these roads are private property, and that therefore, the interest of their respective corporators is not to be considered by the Legislature, in its action. I repeat, "it does not follow that a charter, for a Railroad must be granted, as a matter of course when asked." It is true the Legislature have the right to grant new charters at all times. But the principle of good faith is as applicable to, and as binding upon States as individuals.

When the Legislature charters a road between any two points, there is an implied obligation not to grant another either in conflict with it, or that will destroy the value of the franchise first conferred. The stern adherence to this principle—the unqualified recognition of this obligation—is as much a part of public honor, as it is indispensable to the completion of our internal improvement system. I submit, therefore, that the Legislature ought to pause long, before they will consent to an act, the inevitable effect of which will be to depreciate ruinously the value of the capital, which they have invited to be invested in these private Railroad Companies, and thereby inflict a serious injury upon the several large communities along these lines, who are deeply interested in their being kept in good condition and operated *profitably*, without which they cannot be operated *successfully*.

It may be asked, whether the communities who are to be accommodated by the Hiwassee Railroad, are to be kept forever excluded from access to favorable markets, by the mountains which interpose between them and the great thoroughfares through our State. In considering this question, it must be borne in mind that the State, in reference to her own internal interests, must be regarded as a unit—a consolidated community, and that so considered, it is a sound principle, that the interest of a part must be subordinate to the welfare of the whole. Or, in other words, one section is not to be built up at the expense of every other. It is indeed the duty of the Legislature to so shape its policy, as to afford needed facilities to the region which the Hiwassee Road is designed to accomodate. But it ought to do this, with reference to the interests and rights of other portions of the State, and in a manner compatible with the system and design of our internal improvement scheme.

But to the question just propounded, I reply, that the communities of the State who desire the Hiwassee Road ought not by any line of State policy to be shut off from favorable markets for their produce. There is no necessity for it. The general interest does not require it. They can be accomodated in another way, consistently with a sound Georgia interest and Georgia policy. How can this be done? This leads me to extend a little more fully my views in reference to our system of internal improvements, than is contained in my biennial Message, from which I quoted in the first part of this communication. I said that Augusta, Savannah and Brunswick are the basis of our system, and that aid might be wisely extended to the completion of its general frame work. For this purpose and the full development of our natural resources, I believe that each of these points of commerce should be connected by main lines with the great geographical divisions or sections of our State.—

At present, neither of these cities is connected with Northeastern Georgia. They are, or soon will be, contemplated routes, with Northwestern, Western and Southwestern Georgia. Hence, what is needed to connect them all with Northeastern Georgia, is a Road from that section to Athens or some point on the Georgia or Western and Atlantic Railroad. To such an enterprize, I believe our true interest requires that State aid in some form should be granted. I did hope to see this done by the present General Assembly. I have an abiding confidence that it will be done at an early period. To such a road, branches would be built, in due time, thus developing that whole region, affording its facilities for transporting its products to market, and at the same time, making it tributary to the interest and prosperity of our general scheme.

Or, if those who seek Railroad accomodation by this bill, believe Charleston to be the best market and desire a connection with it, they should not be prohibited. It is right that every portion of the State be allowed access, if possible, to the market of their choice. For this purpose, let Charters be granted to connect from any safe point South of the Tennessee line, at Rabun Gap or any point east that will give the desired connection. But it is quite a different question when a charter is asked which yields as this bill does, the right of way across a portion of the State, which must result in connections between points, east and west, that will prove fatal to the interest of Georgia.

I trust I am not selfish in the disjointed views which I have presented for your consideration. I believe thoroughly in the doctrine of "greatest good to the greatest number," and it is under its influence, that I have felt bound to withhold my sanction to the bill under consideration.

Nor am I animated by any hostility to, the interest and welfare of South Carolina. She is now acting and always has acted in accordance with the policy which I advocate for Georgia. By it, she is stimulated to the noblest efforts to reach the West by a route shorter than that through Georgia by the Western and Atlantic Railroad. She does right in thus seeking to sustain her own public works and foster her own seaport. Her energy and sagacity command my admiration. I respect her people, I venerate her great men, I applaud her public spirit, and I cordially bid her 'God speed' in her career of enterprize. I do not love her less, but Georgia more. Still however much I may rejoice in her prosperity, I confess to an ardent desire, that our Legislature shall not promote it at the sacrifice of our own,

My motto is "*Georgia first our co-terminus sisters second, the other States third, and last 'the rest of mankind.'*"

HERSCHEL V JOHNSON.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Union, 160 copies ordered to be printed.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker :—The Senate has passed the following bills, of the House of Representatives, to-wit:

A bill to appoint an additional number of Trustees for the Washington Academy in the county of Gwinnett.

A bill for the relief of William Waters.

A bill to repeal so much of the law in relation to change bills as makes it the duty of the Judges of the Superior Courts to give the act passed 10th December, 1841, in special charge to the Grand Juries.

A bill to amend the act incorporating the town of Carrollton, approved 22d Dec. 1849, and for other purposes.

A bill to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Charlton county to levy an extra tax for county purposes.

A bill for the relief of Mrs. Jane Elizabeth Lott, wife of George Lott of Richmond county.

A bill to authorize Ephraim Youn of the county of Telfair to peddle in the counties of Telfair and Montgomery, and Richard B. Dickson of the county of Clark to peddle in the county of Clark, and Henry B. Stewart of the county of Catoosa to peddle in the county of Catoosa, without license.

A bill to amend and add to the Penal Code of this State.

A bill to authorize the Ordinary of Gwinnett county to pay certain poor children, and for other purposes.

A bill to change the line between the counties of Taylor and Marion, so as to include lots of land number 243 in the third District and number 33 in the twelfth District, now in the county of Marion, in the county of Taylor.

A bill for the relief of J. H. Adams, John Pike, and Ebenezer Perkins, of the county of Lowndes.

A bill to alter and amend an act entitled an act to amend an act passed 17th day of Dec. 1847, to authorize parties to compel discoveries at common law, approved 20th Feb., 1851.

A bill to change the January and October elections in the State of Georgia from the first Monday in January and October to the first Wednesday in January and October.

A bill to appropriate money to compensate the State Treasurer for extraordinary services.

A bill to make Executors and Administrators liable for costs in certain cases.

A bill to alter and amend the several laws in relation to the poor school system, so far as relates to the county of Lumpkin.

A bill to fix the time of holding elections for Judges of the Superior Courts, Attorney General and Solicitors General.

A bill to incorporate the Pine Mountain Mining Company, also the DeSoto Mining Company of Whitfield county.

A bill to authorize the county of Habersham to aid in the construction of the Northeastern, or any other Railroad running through said county, by the subscription of stock and the issues of bonds therefor upon a vote of the citizens of said county in favor of the same.

A bill organizing the Independent Volunteer Battalion of Augusta, and for other purposes therein named.

A bill to authorize parties complainants either in law or equity to perfect service of writs against corporations under certain circumstances therein named.

A bill to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Bibb or a majority of them, at their discretion, to levy and collect an extra tax for the purpose of opening and keeping in good repair the public highways in said county.

A bill to authorize the Judges of the Superior Courts of this State to appoint Receivers during vacation and to require the complainant in all cases asking for writs of *Ne Exeat*, *Quia Timet*, and all applications asking for the appointment of a Receiver, or for an injunction, to give bond and security to the respondent for any loss or damage which he or they may sustain by the suing out of said writs, and for other purposes.

A bill to authorize the Justices' Courts to establish lost papers to the amount of their jurisdiction.

A bill to give certain privileges to the Justices of the Inferior Court of Harris county.

A bill for the relief of Zene Sullivan, Tax Collector of the county of Union for the year 1854.

A bill to legalize the acts of the City Council of Columbus in the issuing of bonds, and for other purposes.

A bill to add an additional section to the Penal Code of the State of Georgia.

The Senate has also passed the following bills of the House of Representatives with amendments, in which they ask their concurrence, to-wit :

A bill to charter the Exchange Bank of the State of Georgia at Griffin.

A bill to incorporate a bank in the city of Rome, Floyd county, Georgia, to be called the Bank of the Empire State.

A bill to incorporate the Georgia College of Science and Agriculture, located in the State of Georgia.

A bill to authorize the Ordinary of DeKalb county to pay Winston H. Clark the sum of thirty-one dollars for teaching poor children of said county, and for other purposes.

The Senate has agreed to the report of the Committee of Conference from the two Houses upon the bill to add lots of land numbers 117 and 118 in the 6th dist. of Irwin county to the county of Worth, and to change the lines between certain other counties.

Also appointed a Committee of Conference, consisting on

their part of Messrs. Brown of Baldwin and Cone of Bulloch with reference to the disagreements of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to the bill of the House appropriating money for the Penitentiary, and other purposes.

Also, concurred in the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill of the House of Representatives appropriating money for certain purposes, with an amendment to their amendment, in which they ask their concurrence.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker—

An act to repeal the 7th section of an act entitled an act to amend the road and patrol laws of this State, so far as relates to the county of Effingham, assented to 9th December 1843.

An act to change the time of holding the Inferior Courts of the county of Catoosa.

An act to incorporate the Needle Woman's Friend Society in the city of Savannah.

An act to incorporate the Griffin Savings Bank.

An act to authorize the Treasurer to pay over to the Ordinary of Chattahoochee county the poor school fund for the year 1854, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An act to change the time of holding the Inferior Courts in the counties of Sumter, Butts and Bibb.

An act to give to defendants damages for frivolous suits against them.

An act to provide for the election of the Trustees of the Effingham county Academy, and for other purposes.

An act to give further time for holding the Superior Courts of Sumter, Lee, Dougherty and Baker counties.

An act to change the county lines between Cass and Gordon, and between Gordon and Murray, and other counties therein named, and for other purposes.

An act to authorize the Inferior Court of Gwinnett county to pay the Sheriffs of said county for summoning Jurors and waiting upon the Courts, and for other purposes.

An act to appoint Trustees in the county of Carroll, and for other purposes.

An act to authorize and provide for the union and consolidation of the Muscogee Railroad Company with the South-western Railroad Company under the charter of the latter Company.

An act to give any Company the right to construct a bridge across the Chattahoochee river in the counties of Fulton and Cobb, upon the old piers upon which the Western and Atlantic Railroad was built, which may be incorporated by the Inferior Courts of said counties, or either of them, in certain cases.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Weems, their Secretary pro tem.:

Mr. Speaker :—The Senate has passed the following bills, of the House of Representatives, to-wit:

A bill to amend the charter of the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church and Washington Female Seminary, granted by act of Dec. 19th, 1827, and amended by act of Dec. 31st, 1838.

A bill to amend the 11th section of the charter of the city of Atlanta, and to confer certain powers upon the Mayor and Council.

A bill for the relief of John W. Carlton of the county of Fulton, who received serious injuries whilst in the employment of the State.

A bill to alter and change the time of holding the Inferior Courts of the county of Henry.

A bill for the relief of Francis Murray, late wife of James Murray.

A bill to alter the several acts in relation to the compensation of the Grand and Petit Jurors of Lumpkin county.

A bill for the relief of John A. Jones.

A bill to authorize the Treasurer to pay to the Ordinary of Emanuel county, sixty-one dollars, a balance due for poor school purposes.

A bill to confer certain powers upon Henry Davenport and James Knott of Clark county.

A bill for the relief of William Willis, John M. Wilcher, Chaner B. Strange and John Y. Fletcher, for expenses and services in bringing from Alabama Francis M. Collins, a fugitive from justice.

A bill to provide compensation for the commissioned and non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates of certain companies and for other purposes.

A bill for the relief of Hardy Smith, of Laurens county.

The Committee on Enrolment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker—

An act to change the line between the counties of Taylor and Marion, so as to include lots of land number 243 in the third District and number 33 in the twelfth District, now in the county of Marion, in the county of Taylor.

An act to allow any joint tenant, tenant in common, or other person having a part interest in lands or tenements to maintain a separate action of ejectment or trespass, and for other purposes.

An act to give certain privileges to the Justices of the Inferior Court of the county of Harris.

An act to appoint Trustees for Hall County Academy.

An act for the relief of J. H. Adams, John Pike, and Ebenezer Perkins, of the county of Lowndes.

An act to add an additional section to the Penal Code of the State of Georgia.

An act to fix the time of holding elections for Judges of the Superior Courts, Attorney General and Solicitors General.

An act to allow practising Attorneys to serve as Justices of the Peace in Burke county.

An act supplemental to an act to authorize the selection and permanent location of a county site in the county of Wayne, to authorize the building of a new court-house and levying of an extra tax, and for other purposes therein specified, approved 23d January, 1856.

An act for the relief of Zene Sullivan, Tax Collector of the county of Union for the year 1854.

An act to authorize the Justices' Courts to establish lost papers to the amount of their jurisdiction, and charge for the same as prescribed by the act.

An act for the relief of Osborn J. Register of the county of Fulton.

An act to change the lines between the counties of Heard and Troup., so as to include the residence and lands of Harriett Lipscomb, now in the county of Heard, in the county of Troup.

An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Masonic Hall in the city of Savannah, and for other purposes.

An act for the relief of William Waters.

An act to appoint Commissioners with power to remove all obstructions for the free passage of fish in Kinchafoonee Creek, and to punish those who may attempt to defeat the same.

An act to incorporate the Island Creek Academy in the county of Hancock.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bill of the House of Representatives with amendments to which they ask the concurrence of the House, to-wit :

A bill to lay out and construct a Turnpike road of suitable width and grade from the Union county line at or near where the road now crosses said line, above the present residence of Alfred Parks, and for other purposes.

The Senate has also passed the following bills of the House of Representatives :

A bill incorporating the Dalton Brass Band in the town of Dalton, county of Whitfield.

A bill to repeal an act approved 7th Feb. 1854, entitled an act to alter and amend the section of an act to regulate the weighing of cotton and other commodities in this State, approved 8th December, 1806.

A bill to incorporate the Warrenton and Macon Railroad

Company, and to confer certain powers and privileges upon the same.

A bill to provide for paying the Delegates sent by the authority of the State of Georgia to the Convention of the people of the slaveholding States held at Nashville in 1850.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills of the House of Representatives, to-wit :

A bill to enlarge the boundary of the town of LaGrange, and incorporate the same under the name of the city of LaGrange, to provide for the election of Mayor, City Councilmen and other officers, and to confer certain powers on them.

A bill to remit the State tax to the amount of one hundred dollars to Solomon Page of Lee county, assessed to him by mistake of the Tax Receiver of that county.

A bill to authorize the Ordinary of Marion county to pay Littleton Morgan a certain sum of money for teaching poor children in said county in the year 1852.

A bill for the relief of William G. Booth and Phillip H. Delane, teachers of poor children in the county of Marion in the year 1851.

A bill to compel the payment of the legal tax heretofore imposed on agencies of foreign Banks.

A bill to indemnify Otho P. Beall for lots of land granted a second time.

A bill to authorize the Bank of the State of Georgia to establish a Branch Bank in the city of Rome, and for other purposes.

A bill for the relief of Jackson Tyner.

Also, the following bills of the House of Representatives, with amendments, in which they ask the concurrence of the House to-wit :

A bill for the relief of John Usry of Warren county.

A bill to incorporate the Walton Female College at Monroe in Walton county. with power to appoint a President and Directors, and confer collegiate degrees, and for other purposes therein specified.

Mr. Terhune, from the Committee on Enrolment reports as duly enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate, and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives—

An act to incorporate the town of Lithonia in DeKalb county, and the town of Woodbury in the county of Meriwether.

An act to prescribe the order of descent and succession of the estates of illegitimate persons who die intestate.

An act to incorporate the town of Fletcherville in the county of Thomas, and provide for the election of Commissioners of the same, and to prescribe the mode and manner

of electing the town Commissioners of the town of Bainbridge in the county of Decatur, to define their powers, and to extend the corporate limits of said town, and to incorporate the town of Morganton in the county of Fannin.

An act to change the time of holding the Inferior Court of Early and the Superior Courts of the county of Chattahoochee, and to allow two weeks for the Superior Court of the county of Warren, and for other purposes.

An act to incorporate the Summerville Male and Female Academies, and for other purposes therein specified.

An act to incorporate the town of Weston.

An act to prevent fraudulent surveys of land in the counties of Camden and Effingham.

An act to incorporate the town of Lamar in Baker county.

An act amendatory of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Masonic Hall in the city of Milledgeville, assented to December 26, 1831.

An act to add an additional section to an act to incorporate the Georgia and Florida Steam Packet Company, approved February 18th, 1854, and for other purposes.

An act to incorporate the town of Morgan in Calhoun county, and appoint Commissioners for the same.

An act to authorize Azariah Burnett of the county of Dade to practise medicine and charge for the same.

An act to amend certain sections of the act amending the act incorporating the town of Calhoun,

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Weems, their Secretary pro tempore:

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has passed the following bills of the House of Representatives, to-wit:

A bill to amend an act assented to December 14th, 1811, and to allow practising attorneys to hold the office and perform the duties of Justices of the Peace in the county of Washington.

A bill to alter, change and amend an act to incorporate the town of Decatur in the county of DeKalb, assented to December 10th, 1823.

A bill to alter, change and amend the second section of an act entitled an act to regulate the advertising of Clerks, Sheriffs and other State and county officers, and to provide for the preservation of the newspapers containing said advertisements, and for other purposes.

A bill to incorporate the town of Chickasawhatchie in the county of Lee, and to appoint Commissioners of the same, and to confer certain privileges upon said Commissioners; also, to appoint Commissioners for the Houghton Institute, and to appoint Commissioners for the town of Sparta.

A bill to grant to William Schley and Robert Schley of the county of Richmond, the right to open and construct

a railroad, plank road or other road, from their saw mill on Spirit creek, in said county, to any point on the Augusta Southwestern Plank Road, between the 11th and 13th mile posts on said Plank Road from the city of Augusta, for the transportation of timber, lumber and wood.

A bill to incorporate Keener's Camp Ground of the Methodist Episcopal Church South in the county of Rabun, and to confer certain powers on the same.

A bill to compensate the Petit Jurors of the county of Lincoln, and to dispose of certain monies in Lee county as herein provided.

A bill to authorize the Governor to draw his warrant upon the Treasury for thirty dollars and thirty-seven and a half cents in favor of Copeland, Harris & Co., being the amount overpaid by them for taxes to the State.

A bill to alter and amend an act to alter and amend the law in relation to interest on money, approved 17th Dec. 1845.

The Senate has also concurred in the amendments of the House of Representatives to the following bills of the Senate :

A bill to incorporate Fort Gaines Bridge Company.

A bill to authorize Warren Dykes to peddle without license in Worth county.

A bill to incorporate the Apalachee Mining Company.

The Senate has disagreed to the amendment of the House to bill of the Senate to raise the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace.

The Senate has receded from its disagreement to the amendment of the House to the bill of the Senate to authorize Dr. J. J. M. Goss to practice medicine on the eclectic system.

The Senate has also passed the following bills of the House of Representatives with amendments, in which they ask the concurrence of the House, to-wit :

A bill to change certain county lines.

A bill to authorize the re-survey of the 6th district of Hershaw, and the sale of certain lots in the city of Columbus.

A bill to incorporate the Bank of Morgan.

A bill to incorporate Stony Point Mining Company.

A bill to confer certain privileges upon James E. Smith of Clay county.

A bill to appropriate money to erect a monument to the Hon. Andrew J. Miller.

A bill to change the times of holding the Superior Courts in certain counties therein mentioned, and for other purposes therein specified.

A bill to authorize the Inferior Court of Muscogee county to sell the lot on which the county jail now stands, and to erect another upon some location to be by it selected.

A bill to change the name of the Talbotton Female Academy.

A bill to incorporate the Chattahoochee Iron Works.

A bill for the relief of Augustus C. Jones.

A bill to authorize the Inferior Court of Telfair county to hold an election to determine the question of the removal of said county site.

The House concurred in the Senate amendments to the following bills of the House, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act to change certain county lines therein mentioned.

A bill to change the time of holding the Superior and Inferior Courts in the county of Carroll.

A bill to be entitled an act relative to the resurvey of the sixth district of Habersham county, and to authorize the sale of certain property in the city of Columbus, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank in the town of Morgan, to be called the Bank of Morgan.

A bill to be entitled an act to change the times of holding the Superior Courts in certain counties therein mentioned, and for other purposes therein specified.

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate a sum of money to erect a monument in honor of the Hon. Andrew J. Miller, deceased.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Stony Point Mining Company of Georgia.

A bill to be entitled an act to explain and amend an act entitled an act to regulate the mode of suing the bonds of executors, administrators and guardians, approved January 15th, 1852.

A bill to be entitled an act to extend certain privileges to James E. Smith of the county of Clay, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate money for the several purposes therein mentioned.

The House took up the Senate amendments to the bill of the House to be entitled an act to incorporate the Georgia College of Science and Agriculture, to be located at in the State of Georgia.

On motion of Mr. Lewis of Hancock, the same was referred to a special committee.

The Chair appointed as such committee Messrs. Lewis of Hancock, Lawton, Phillips, Milledge and Burnett.

The House concurred in the Senate amendments to the following House bills :

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a Bank in the city of Rome, Floyd county, Georgia. to be called the Bank of the Empire State.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Ordinary of DeKalb county to pay Winston H. Cash the sum of thirty-

one dollars for teaching poor children of said county, and for other purposes.

The House receded from its amendments to the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to raise the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to simplify the method of carrying cases to the Supreme Court. The same was amended.

The report as amended was agreed to. The bill was read the third time, and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to amend the act incorporating the city of Rome. The same was amended.

The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the Senate to be entitled an act to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Troup county to levy an extra tax for the years 1856 and 1857, for the building of a new jail in said county. The same was amended.

The bill was read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Solomon of Cass, the message from his Excellency the Governor was taken up and read.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the House adjourned until 3 o'clock P M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The following resolution, introduced by Mr. Smith of Union, was on motion taken up and adopted, viz :

Resolved, That the Clerk and the Assistant Clerk be allowed fifteen days to bring up the unfinished business of this Branch of the General Assembly, at the usual per diem now paid by the House ; also, that a Committee of three be appointed by the Speaker, to bring up the unfinished business of the Session, and they be allowed five days for the same,

The Speaker appointed as such committee Messrs. Sapp of Whitfield, Headen of Hall, and Brown of Camden.

The House took up the report of the committee on the bill of the House to be entitled an act in relation to the measuring of timber, &c. The report was agreed to. The bill was read the third time and passed.

The House refused to concur in the Senate amendment to the bill of the House to be entitled an act for the relief of John Usry of Warren county, Georgia.

The House concurred in the Senate amendments to the

bill of the House to be entitled an act to incorporate the Walton Female College, to be located at Monroe in Walton county, with power to appoint a President and Directors, confer collegiate degrees, and for other purposes herein specified.

The special Committee to whom was referred the Senate amendments to the bill to incorporate Georgia College of Science and Agriculture, located at _____ in the State of Georgia, reported the same back with certain amendments. On motion the same was agreed to.

The House concurred in the Senate amendment to the House bill entitled an act to incorporate the Warrenton and Macon Railroad Company, and to confer certain powers and privileges upon the same.

The Committee of Conference to whom was referred the bill and amendments leasing for fifteen years the Georgia Penitentiary, recommend the House of Representatives to recede from the amendment proposed by the House, and to concur with the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Cass, the House disagreed to the report of said committee.

The following resolution, introduced by Mr. Thornton, was on motion taken up and adopted unanimously, viz :

Resolved, That this House tender to the Honorable William H. Stiles its sincere thanks for the courtesy, impartiality and ability which he has uniformly exhibited as its presiding officer.

The following resolution, introduced by Mr. Terrell, was on motion taken up and adopted unanimously, viz :

Resolved, That the thanks of this House are due and herewith tendered to the Hon. John Milledge, Representative from the county of Richmond, for the able, dignified and impartial manner with which he presided over this branch of the General Assembly as Speaker pro tempore.

The following Message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary:

The Senate has concurred in the amendments of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill of the House to incorporate the Georgia College of Science and Agriculture.

The Senate adheres to its amendment to the bill of the House changing the time of holding the Superior and Inferior Courts of Carroll county.

The Senate recedes from its amendment to the bill of the House for the relief of John Usry of Warren county.

The Senate has also agreed to the resolution of the House requesting the Governor to transmit certain pay and muster rolls to the Military Bureau at Washington City.

Also, a resolution requesting the Governor to furnish cer-

tain counties with copies of Cobb's Digest and Analysis and Forms.

The Senate has passed the following bill of the House of Representatives, to-wit :

A bill in relation to measuring of timber, &c.

The Senate has concurred in the amendments of the House to the following bills of the Senate, to-wit :

A bill to authorize the Ordinary, Acting as Commissioner of the Poor School Fund in the several counties herein named, to pay all bills presented for the tuition of poor children in said counties entitled and not returned as entitled to the benefits of said poor school fund.

A bill to authorize the Justices of the Inferior Court of Troup county to levy an extra tax for the years 1856 and 1857, to build a Jail in said county.

A bill to amend an act incorporating the city of Rome.

The House concurred in the Senate amendment to the House bill to be entitled an act to provide for paying the Delegates sent by the authority of the State of Georgia to the Convention of the people of the slaveholding States, held at Nashville in January, 1850.

The amendments of the Senate were taken up to the bill of the House to be entitled an act to lay out and construct a turnpike road of suitable width and grade from the Union county line at or near where the road now crosses said line above the present residence of Alfred Parks, and to amend the charter of the Georgia and Florida Railroad Company, and for other purposes. The same were concurred in

Mr. Thornton offered the following resolution, which was taken up, read, agreed to, and ordered to be transmitted to the Senate without delay, viz :

Whereas the House of Representatives, by a wise and liberal policy, have passed the following bills—

A bill to appropriate money to the Hancock Agricultural Society ;

A bill to appropriate three thousand dollars to the State Agricultural Society ;

A bill to organize a common school system in Georgia ;

A bill to appropriate thirty-five thousand dollars annually to the State University, to educate one young man from each county for teachers in said State ;

And whereas the Senate have, by an unwise and illiberal policy, defeated all of said bills—

Be it Resolved by the present House of Representatives. That they solemnly protest against the action of the Senate on said bills, and that we recommend to the people of Georgia to abolish the same, or to remodel it so as to render it more efficient, and to send wiser and more liberal men to said body.

The House adjourned until 7 o'clock P. M.

SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Felton offered the following resolution, which was on motion taken up, read, and unanimously agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That the thanks of this House are due to Jesse Oslin for the able and efficient discharge of his duty as Messenger, and that we cheerfully recommend him to succeeding Legislatures as entirely worthy of their confidence and support. Also, that our thanks are due to Cicero H. Morris for his faithfulness in the discharge of his duty, and his diligence and attention to this body.

Mr. Oslin responded by the following address, which was by unanimous consent ordered to be entered upon the Journals of the House :

GENTLEMEN, MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE :

I can but feel myself honored by the kind manner in which you have expressed your sanction of my official conduct during the present, and also, the four last sessions of this House. The repeated evidence of your kindness and approval of my humble effort to serve you, has created in my mind a sensation of gratitude and respect at once coeval with my existence on earth. I have made in this House the most friendly acquaintances of my life, (with a single exception at home.) The circumstance of my re-election at the opening of the present session has filled my cup of honor to overflowing. I am proud to say, that I have and hold one or two evidences of your kindness and generosity which I duly appreciate, and consider as imperishable mementoes of your kindness. These mementoes shall descend to my posterity when I shall have descended to my grave.—They will keep and esteem them as pleasing proofs of your liberality to their departed ancestor.

In taking an affectionate adieu of you, I feel more than commonly solemn! I have passed three score and two years. The veil which intervenes between the present and the future is impenetrable to human vision! We know not what a day may bring forth! But if a benign and merciful Providence should spare me, until the next meeting of this House, I should be truly glad to meet you all here as members. And then should you—you know what I mean—I will be truly thankful.

Now in parting with our beloved Speaker and each member, and our worthy Clerk and his assistants—receive my parting benediction. And may you each enjoy prosperity and happiness here, and an eternity of felicity beyond the Jordan of death. Farewell!—and Farewell!!

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Spenker—The Senate has receded from its disagreement to the amendment of the House to the amendment of Senate to the bill of the House to remove the Penitentiary of this State, to appropriate money for the same, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

The Senate has agreed to a Resolution, requiring the Governor to have a monument erected over the remains of the Hon. Jas. A. Meriwether, in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has appointed Messrs. Buchanan and Rudisill, as a Committee of Conference upon the disagreements between the two Houses in relation to the bill of the House to change the time of holding the Superior and Inferior Courts of Carroll county.

The Senate has also agreed to a Resolution "that both branches of the General Assembly meet in the Representative Hall at half past 6 o'clock this day, to elect three commissioners to superintend the disposition of the Penitentiary" and with a view to a speedy election have suggested the names of the Hon. Peter Cone of Bulloch, Hon. W. R. Poole of Hart and P. M. Compton, Esq., of Baldwin, as suitable Commissioners—in which they ask the concurrence of the House.

The House took up the Senate amendments to the bill relative to the inspection of flour, and on motion of Mr. Johnson of Cass, the same was disagreed to.

The following resolution of the Senate was taken up and concurred in :

Resolved, That both Branches of the General Assembly meet in the House of Representatives at 7½ o'clock to-day, to elect three Commissioners to superintend the disposition of the Penitentiary.

The same was on motion rescinded.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock offered the following resolution, viz :

Resolved by the General Assembly That Peter Cone, Wm. R. Poole and P. M. Compton be and they are hereby appointed Commissioners to superintend the disposition of the Penitentiary, according to the provisions of the bill on that subject.

The same was adopted.

The resolution of the Senate relative to the erection of a monument to the memory of the Hon. James A. Meriwether, was taken up, read and agreed to.

Mr. Hudson of Harris offered the following resolution, which was taken up, read and unanimously adopted, viz :

Resolved, That the Thanks of this General Assembly be tendered to A. M. Spear and his assistants for the prompt discharge of their respective duties during the present Session.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has receded from its amendment to the bill of the House to repeal an act in relation to the weighing of cotton and other commodities.

The Senate has also discharged its Committee of Conference upon the disagreements of the two Houses in relation to the bill of the House to change the time of holding the Superior and Inferior Courts of Carroll county, and has receded from its amendment to the same.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Weems, their Secretary pro tem. :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate has agreed to the resolution of the House in relation to the appointment of certain Commissioners to superintend the disposition of the Penitentiary.

Mr. Lewis of Hancock offered the following resolution, which was lost, viz :

Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor be authorized to take such measures as he may deem necessary to ascertain whether the Blue Ridge Railroad Company are prosecuting their work in the State of Georgia in a manner violative of the intent and spirit of the charter granted them by this State, and if he finds them so prosecuting it, he shall serve such notice on them, or take such measures, as shall save the State, by her silence in the matter, from being committed to an acquiescence in the action and proceedings of said Company.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary, viz :

Mr. Speaker—The Senate have appointed Messrs. Lawson of Burke, Billups and Poole, to join such Committee on the part of the House as may be appointed, to wait upon his Excellency the Governor, and inform him that the General Assembly are ready to adjourn sine die, and ascertain whether he desires to make any farther communications thereto.

The House appointed for this purpose Messrs. Ward, Phillips and Johnson of Cass.

The Committee having discharged the duty imposed, reported that his Excellency had no farther communications to make.

The following message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Colquitt, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker—I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have completed the business of the Session, and are now ready to adjourn sine die.

Mr. Felton offered the following resolution, which was on motion taken up, read and agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That the Clerk be instructed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have completed the business of the Session, and are now ready to adjourn "*sine die*."

On motion of Mr. Headen, the House adjourned "*sine die*."

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